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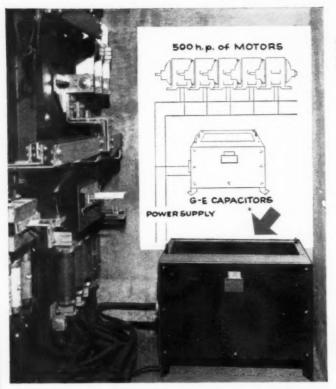


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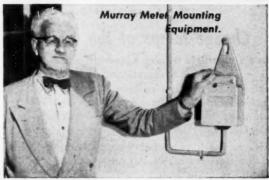
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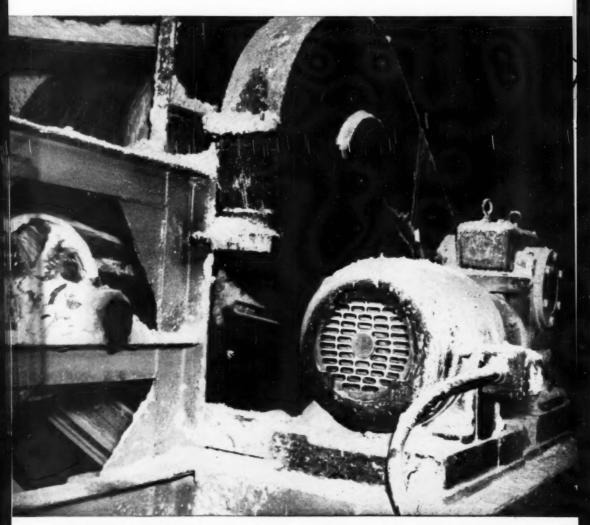
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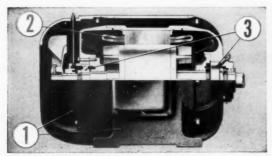
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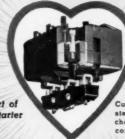
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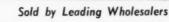
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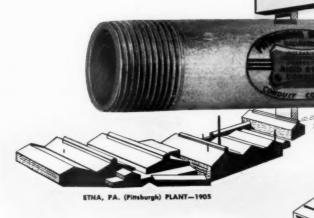


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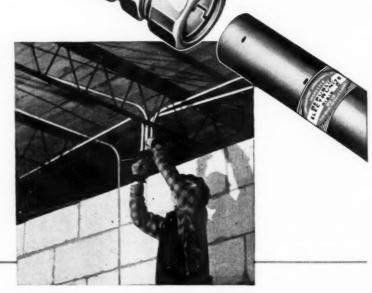


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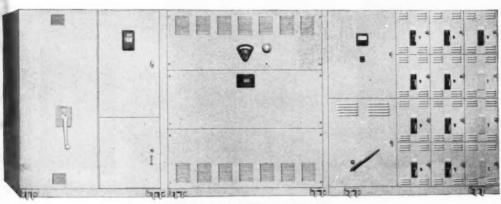
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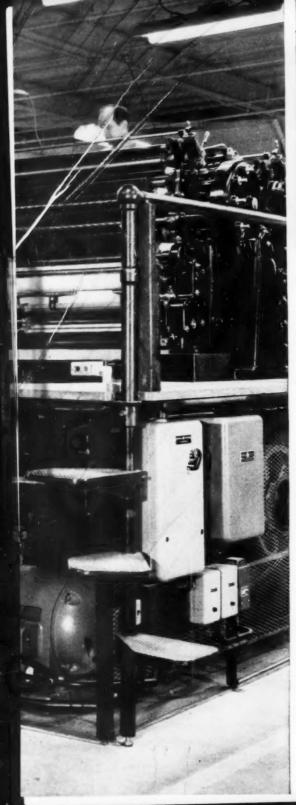
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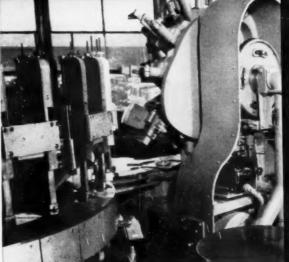
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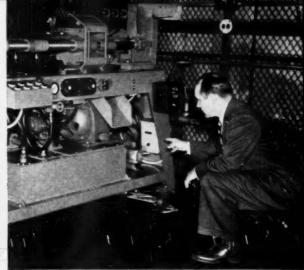
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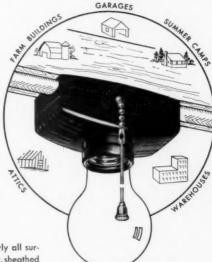
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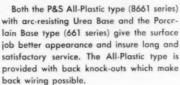


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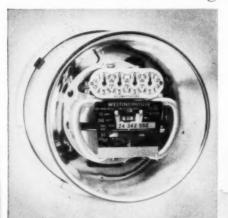
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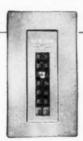
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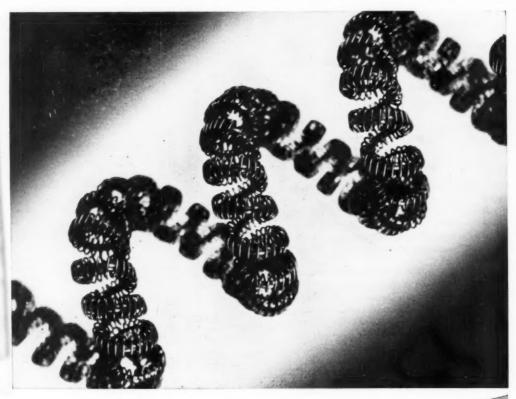
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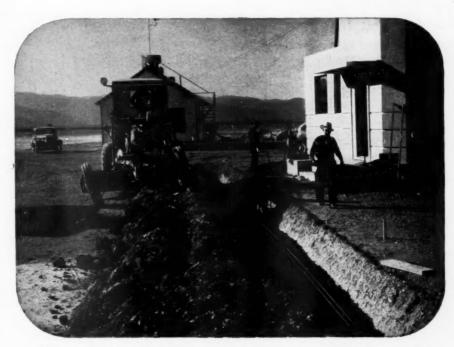
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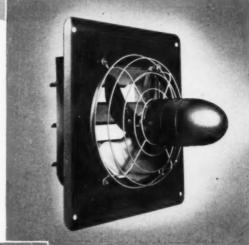


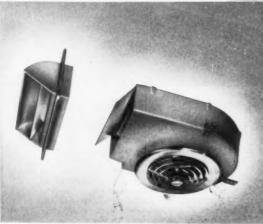
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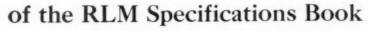


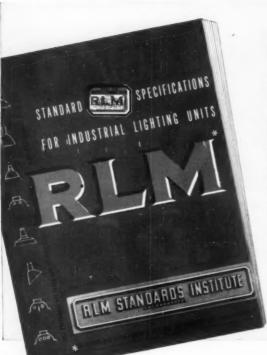
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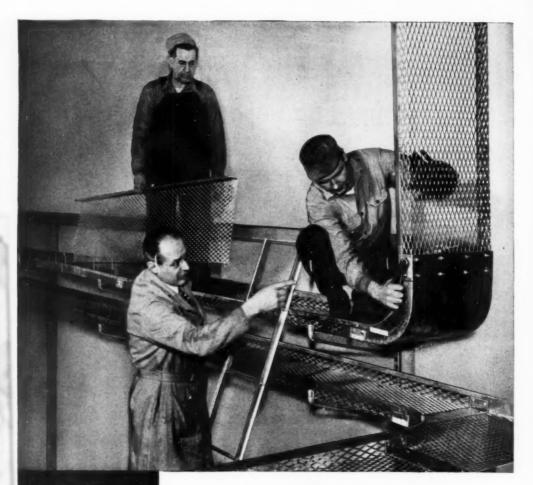
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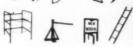
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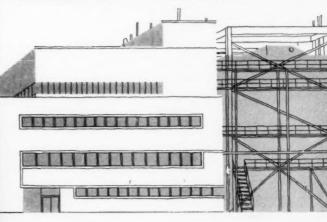


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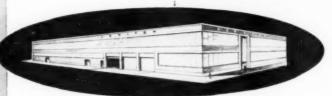


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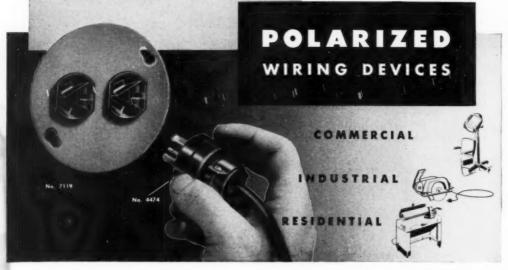
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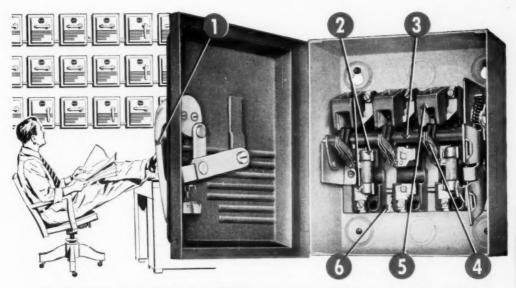


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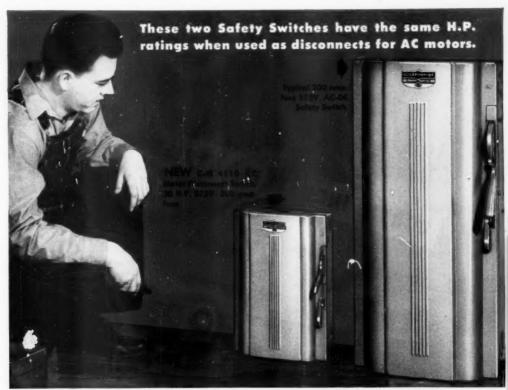


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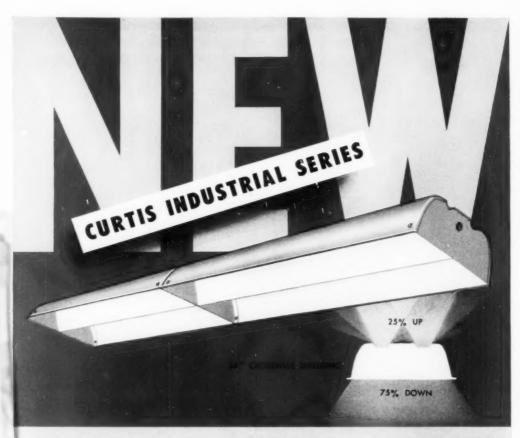
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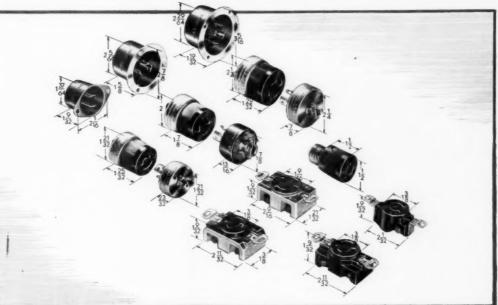
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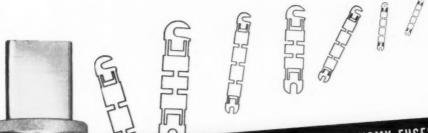
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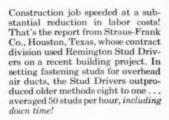


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Price-wage controls will be relaxed, but how much depends on Congress. Price ceiling suspensions to date have been experimental, and new policy is to remove ceilings where prices are consistently below OPS maximums. This is political, an overture to a cool Congress which now wants price-wage controls limited to next March 31 or earlier, and to business which is fed up with what it considers unnecessary bureaucratic control.

Some type of control on copper will be needed at least until the end of 1953, mobilizers now say, at which time new additions to the annual copper supply will become available. CMP now seems the best bet, which might be made "open end" as supply begins to balance demand.

**Copper allocations** for June for copper processing and fabricating industries were about the same as for May, however regular commercial sources had to be supplemented by withdrawals from other sources due to low June imports from Chile and to earlier work stoppages.

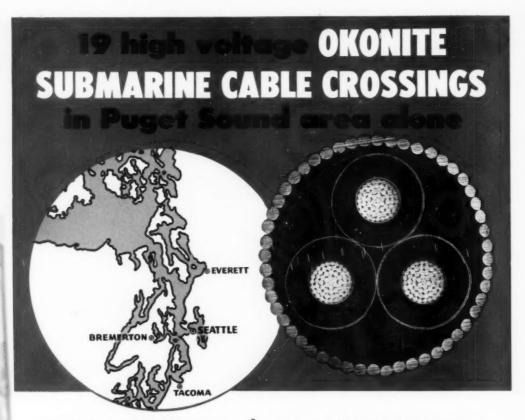
Electric equipment expansion goals have been raised to conform to the new expansion goals for electric energy, recently approved to meet rapidly increasing demands of the defense program and to maintain simultaneously ample electric power for civilian uses. These goals include power and distribution transformers, generators, condensers, steam boilers and turbines. Also included are expansion of facilities for these equipment producers.

Additional manufacturing capacity for power switchgear and circuit breakers is not needed in that industry, its IAC members recently told NPA. But in view of the power expansion program through 1954, NPA has named a task force to further study demand vs. capacity. Industry members also said several companies are studying substitution of aluminum for copper for bus bars and other electrical conductors, and that some are already using aluminum for these purposes.

Construction regulations will be relaxed further beginning July 1, to take up the slack brought about by the reduction of the defense construction program during the last half of the year. Amendment of CMP Reg. 6 will provide: 1) Revocation of ban on recreation construction and permission to self-authorize per quarter for this type of construction—5 tons of carbon steel, 200 pounds of copper, 250 pounds of aluminum; 2) Increased amounts of materials which may be self-authorized for commercial construction, to—25 tons of carbon steel, 750 pounds of copper, 1,000 pounds of aluminum; 3) Aluminum for all types of construction; and other miscellaneous relaxations.

**Housing Construction Order M-100** will also be amended July 1 to allow self-authorization of 1,500 pounds of structural shapes and 250 pounds of aluminum in addition to present allowance for steel and copper.

Commercial construction approvals during April included controlled materials allotments for 1,069 commercial, religious, entertainment and municipal projects with an estimated cost of more than \$337-million. A total of 249 retail stores with an estimated cost of \$144-million led the list in value with 109 office and loft buildings at \$34-million next.



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### Aluminum Case Study

Shortage of copper turned the feeder design of a new Abraham and Straus department store toward aluminum for main distribution. The adaptation of aluminum required special consideration as to wire sizes, conduit sizes and terminal techniques. The resulting installation is a timely case study in a field where practical job experience is still very much needed. See "Aluminum Feeders in a Modern Department Store" by L. V. Burger and A. E. Blanchard beginning on page 65.

### Addendum

On page 77 of the May issue in the text of "Wiring Pittsburgh's Aluminum Skyscraper," a listing of several major equipment suppliers notes ITE as the manufacturer of, among other items, "breakers" used on the project. In addition to the main and feeder circuit breakers supplied by ITE, however, overcurrent protection in the branch panelboards is provided by Heinemann fully magnetic type circuit breakers.

### Specifications

Next month's issue, July, will be devoted to the fifth revision of the Master Electrical Specification. Originally developed in 1936, this basic specification has been revised and enlarged every few years to encompass more of the growing scope and detail of the

electrical construction industry. The 1952 revision is the most extensive to date. Many of the sections have been completely revised and others greatly expanded. Watch for the big July Specification Issue.

### Maintenance Tools

The right assortment of tools and the right instruments are essential to efficient electrical maintenance schedules. Walter J. Prise, of the Maintenance Company of New York, out of wide practical experience, outlines the tool and instrument requirements for trouble-shooting and repair in "Maintenance Tools and Instruments," page 78.

### Basic Rules

Good wiring design is a matter of such basic importance to electrical construction progress that the series beginning in this issue "Basic Rules for Industrial Wiring Design," page 86, hardly needs an introduction here. This series was carefully developed to the editor's specifications (which means that it was drawn up to give the maximum useful data for our readers) from one of the largest and most comprehensive sources we have seen in some years, the new Anaconda catalog and data book. Frank Aime, fresh from editing this monunental work, was prevailed upon to write the series drawing upon its rich resources of practical data for these articles.

### DATES AHEAD

- National Association of Electrical Distributors—Annual convention, Atlantic City, N. J., June 9-13.
- National Fire Protection Association—Annual meeting, Hotel Statler, New York, N. Y., June 9-13.
- Illuminating Engineering Society— Northeastern Regional Conference, Hotel Preston, Swampscott, Mass., June 19-20.
- Illinois Chapter, International Association of Electrical Inspectors— Summer meeting, Hotel Fort Armstrong, Rock Island, Ill., June 19-20.
- New York State Association of Electrical Contractors and Dealers, Inc.—Saranac Inn. Saranac, N. Y., June 29-July 7.

- Illuminating Engineering Society— National Technical Conference, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill., September 3-13.
- International Association of Electrical Inspectors — Northwestern Section, Twin Falls, Idaho, September 11-13; Southwestern Section, California Hotel, Fresno, Calif., September 18-20; Eastern Section, Hotel Statler, Washington, D. C., October 1-3; Western Section, Hotel Hollenden, Cleveland, Ohio, October 6-8; Southern Section, Hermitage Hotel, Nashville, Tenn., October 13-15.
- National Electronics Conference— 8th annual conference, Sherman Hotel, Chicago, Ill., September 29-Oct. 1.

- National Electrical Contractors Association Annual convention, Hotel Morrison, Chicago, Ill., October 5-10.
- Electrical Industries Show—Sponsored by the Eastern Electrical Wholesalers Association, 165th Regiment Armory, New York, N. Y., October 14-17.
- National Farm Electrification Conference—Hotel Statler, Detroit, Mich., October 20-21.
- National Industrial Service Association—Southeastern Chapter meeting, Miami, Fla., Oct. 24 and 25.
- National Electrical Manufacturers Association—Haddon Hall Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J., Nov. 10-13.



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### **Heat Pumps**

**APPEARANCE OF NEW** commercial heat pumps on the market in recent months may well mark the beginning of a new era of electrical development in this country. The device promises winter space heating at energy costs comparable with fuels, plus summer cooling from the same equipment. Controls handle the operation and changeover automatically.

**HEAT PUMPS ARE SUBSTANTIALLY** the same as refrigerators or air condtioners, but designed to use either end of the refrigeration cycle. The cold evaporator coil absorbs heat from the air for summer cooling; the hot condenser coil gives up heat to the air for winter heating.

WHILE THE PRINCIPLES are simple enough, the practical application presents many design problems. Something must be cooled. Heat energy must be extracted from earth, water or air as the most abundant sources of stored heat. And each source presents its own practical engineering problem in the extraction of the heat energy.

**HEAT PUMPS** look relatively expensive in installed cost when compared with conventional automatic heating plants. But when compared more logically with heating plants plus full summer air conditioning, the heat pump is not far out of line. The rapid growth of summer air conditioning tends to support optimistic views of the potential market opportunity.

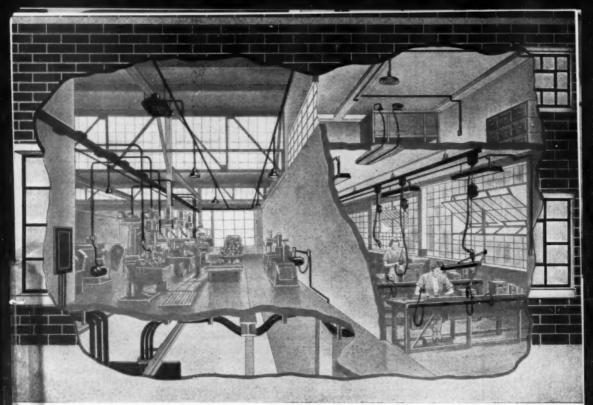
AT THE POWER LEVEL, heat pumps require a substantial fraction of the Btu output in kilowatt hours input. Load requirements follow the degree-day curve which usually peaks in early February. Mechanical in operation, they take motor drives with all that means to distribution systems in voltage fluctuation and power factor. To the utility engineer the load presented by the heat pump is only a little less troublesome than the load presented by resistance heating.

PRESENT UTILITY RATES are based on experience with present load factors. Any large new load on the degree-day curve will inevitably reduce the ratio of kilowatt hours to system capacity. Any type of electric heating, heat pump or otherwise, is likely to be less than attractive to utilities on existing rate schedules. The obvious advantage of polyphase operation of heat pumps on many lines now adequately served single phase is another headache. But the electric power industry has long thrived on such problems.

IN WIRING, heat pumps take, in most of the Temperate Zone, substantially more than air conditioning requirements. Service entrances, feeders, motor circuits and associated controls are large as compared with ordinary light and power requirements. It is the next step toward providing all of the light, heat and power requirements through the electric wiring system.

IT IS A LONG AND DIFFICULT commercial road between the introduction of a new engineering product and its wide acceptance and use. The heat pump shows great promise. It is a sound and logical target for projecting future electrical wiring requirements.

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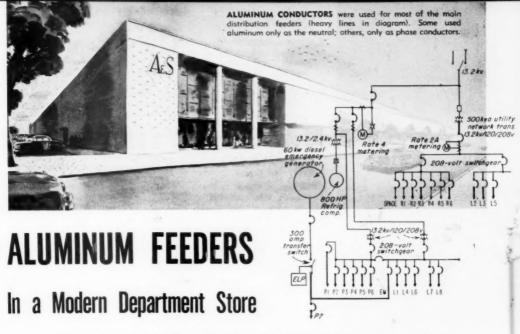
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How engineered installation techniques cut through the fog of difficulties surrounding a large scale installation of aluminum main distribution feeders.

### By Louis V. Burger and Albert E. Blanchard

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N the recently completed, multi-million dollar Abraham & Straus Department Store, Hempstead, Long Island, N. Y., aluminum cable was used for the main distribution feeders in an extensive electrical design. On this job, careful consideration was given to the special electrical characteristics of aluminum conductor. Now, after two months of operation, the completely satisfactory results in this installation can be attributed in large part to the engineered techniques used by the electrical contractor, Johnson Electrical Corp., New York, N. Y., on all aluminum connections.

The Austin Company, Engineers and Builders, New York, N. Y., was responsible for the electrical design in this ultra-modern, three-story, completely air conditioned building of 236,000 square feet, the largest suburban department store project in the Northeast. Although the original plans called for all copper feeders, the critical shortage of copper forced the substitution of aluminum for the main distribution feeders.

This change to aluminum feeders presented a host of problems to all concerned with the installation. Design computations of wiring capacity had to be altered on the basis of the reduced current-carrying capacity of aluminum. Fortunately, calculations allowed the use of the conduit which had already been installed for copper. It was found that the necessary size of aluminum conductors would require only 3% more space in the conduit than the copper cable originally scheduled. But the solutions to these and similar problems involved little more than a reshuffle of formulae to account for the 84%-of-copper conductivity of aluminum. It soon became obvious that the major consideration was the method of terminating and splicing the aluminum feeder runs to eliminate the poor electrical characteristics of aluminum connections.

That the connection problem was the heart of this job is readily evident from a quick look at the extensive electrical system as it now serves the building. Electric power enters the building at 13.2 kv, 3-phase, from the utility substation. At the service equipment in the basement of the building, two metering rates prevail: one for the 13.2 kv primary service to the owner's distribution transformers; the other for a 208-volt secondary service from a 500 kva utility network transformer located in the basement and fed by the incoming 13.2 kv line. A 1000 kva transformer steps the primary service to 2.4 kv and feeds an 800 hp refrigeration compressor. The owner's distribution transformers step the 13.2 ky down to 120/208-volts.

Distribution feeders emanate from secondary switchgear on both services. From the 208-volt switchgear on the utility secondary service, feeders are run to lighting panels, receptacle panels and pull boxes. From the switchgear on the secondary side of the owner's distribution transformers, power and lighting feeders run to the air conditioning room load center, fan rooms, elevators, escalator power panel and lighting panels. Emergency



CABLE TERMINAL of suitably plated cast copper alloy is used here to connect 600 MCM aluminum cable to copper bus in switchgear.



CABLE SPLICES in ceiling box are wound with plastic tape before rubber taping, to prevent softening of the rubber tape by the Penetrox compound.



**BOLTED CONNECTORS** were allowed to stand 24 hours after installation to allow initial set due to "cold flow" of aluminum under pressure.



FINISHED JOINTS in pull box are tightly wound with rubber tape to insulate against air and maisture, thereby reducing the threat of corrosion.

light and power is provided by a 60 kw Diesel emergency generator through a 300 ampere electrically operated automatic transfer switch.

Most of the feeders have all aluminum conductors, 3-phase, 3-wire and 4-wire. The others have either all copper conductors, copper phase conductors with aluminum neutral, or aluminum phase conductors with copper neutral. All of the aluminum conductors are 300 MCM or larger.

#### Copper

The use of copper conductors in combination with aluminum conductors in some of the feeders was dictated by the economics of the situation. Although copper cable was not available for even a considerable part of the installation, a good quantity was on hand. When it was found that the long, 280 and 300 feet, lengths of most of the conductors left many short lengths at the ends of cable reels, a way was sought to utilize these short lengths. The available copper offered a satisfactory and economical solution. Lengths of copper cable were matched with the odd short lengths of aluminum for short feeder runs from the switchgear to some of the pull boxes and from some pull boxes to lighting panels.

The scope of this installation, therefore, necessitated careful regard for the cumulative effects of the special electrical characteristics of aluminum. The high electrical resistance of the oxide coating on aluminum had to be reduced to make satisfactory electrical contacts. Where aluminum and copper conductors were spliced or where aluminum was connected to copper, the galvanic corrosion due to contact between dissimilar metals had to be eliminated. And tight mechanical connections had to be carefully considered because of the "cold flow" effect in aluminum under pressure.

As a result of much study of the problem, it was finally decided to use two types of connectors for the applications involved. Both of these connectors, listed by the Underwriters' Laboratories, were constructed of high conductivity cast copper alloy and were suitably plated for use on either copper or aluminum, or combinations of both. A total of 350 clamp-type bolted connectors were used for splicing cables in pull boxes and on switch panels. Ninety clamp-type bolted cable terminals were used for taps on copper bus in the switchgear, and on motors and starters in the compressor room and fan rooms.

The actual work of installation

posed a unique problem for the contractor. Because of the magnitude of the job and the importance of proper connection methods, the electricians on the job had to be carefully briefed on the use of the connectors and on other factors involved in handling aluminum. For the most part, the installation crew was totally unfamiliar with the working procedure. To meet this situation, the details of sound electrical and mechanical connections of aluminum were presented to the resident engineer.

Preparation of the cable itself was the first step in the connection procedure. A coating of an oxide-cutting and corrosion-inhibiting compound, Penetrox A, was applied to the bare cable ends. Under this air-sealing compound, the cable ends were scratch-brushed with a wire brush to break the oxide layer. The cable was again coated with the compound. Then the connectors were installed and the bolts tightened. All of the Penetrox compound was then carefully removed.

#### Cold flow

The tendency of aluminum to "cold flow" under pressure was also carefully checked. To compensate for any initial "set" in the connection, the installed connectors were allowed to stand for 24 hours and were then retightened. Because of the low unit pressure of contact between the conductor and the large contact area of the connector, only one-third of the connectors had to be retightened.

After being retightened, each connector was thoroughly taped. Because the Penetrox would have a tendency to soften the first few layers of rubber tape on contact, a pre-taping was made with two layers of plastic tape which is inert to the compound. The rubber tape was then applied. Taping was made strong and tight on all connections to assure maximum insulation against air and moisture. The possibility of galvanic corrosion was thereby greatly reduced.

General handling of the aluminum cable, pulling in conduit, etc., was not particularly troublesome. The necessity for using the Penetrox compound was inconvenient at times; however, the light weight of aluminum was a distinct handling advantage.

Complete satisfaction with the results of this installation are clearly expressed by all concerned. And under the present heavy electrical load, the system capacity still has plenty to spare for future requirements. That sound engineering can make aluminum a serviceable alternate for copper is well attested by this installation.

### Distribution of Labor Charges to Material Items

By Ray Ashley

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QUESTION: In good estimating practice, is labor always charged against the item on which it is performed?

ANSWER: No.

**DISCUSSION:** For the purpose of accurate estimating and the preparation of true labor units, the following rule must be adhered to:

Labor must be charged against the item occasioning it and not necessarily to the item on which it is performed.

An elbow installed in a run of conduit, requires measuring, cutting, and threading a nipple. The work is performed on conduit, but occasioned by the presence of the elbow. The elbow must be charged with this labor.

The accompanying Table illustrates how labor actually used on conduit and wire, belongs in the outlet box labor unit. Under heading "I. Time Studies (roughing)", is an item "Thread Pipe" with a time listing of 8 minutes. Under heading "II. Time Studies (finishing)" is an item of "Poling Up," which requires 4.5 minutes. This makes a total of 12.5 minutes (8+4.5) of labor which was performed on conduit and wire. However, this 12.5 minutes was included in the labor unit because it was occasioned by the installation of the outlet box. If the outlet box were omitted, the nipple and poling-up would not be required.

The final adjusted ceiling outlet unit for the particular job (see item 5) was 32 minutes (.533 hrs.). Without the 12.5 minutes (conduit and wire labor) the unit would have been 19.5 minutes or .325 hours.

With a ½-in, conduit labor unit of 4 hrs. per 100 ft., the correct estimate for installing 100 ft. of ½-in. conduit and four ceiling outlets would be: 4 boxes at 0.533 hrs. ea... 2.132 hrs. 100 ft. ½ in. cond. at 4 hrs./

100 ft. ..... 4.0 hrs.

A similar total can be arrived at by using the 0.325 unit (the correct unit less the nipple and poling-up labor) and an excessive unit for conduit labor. 4 boxes at 0.325 ea. . . . 1.3 hrs

100 ft. ½ in. cond. at 5 hrs./100 ft. . . . . . . . . . . 5.0 hrs.

Total 6.3 hrs.

The figures used in the latter illustration are wrong, yet for the particular combination of outlet box and conduit quantities, the estimated time is approximately correct. For any other combination of quantities the final figure would be either too low or too high depending on the ratio of box labor to conduit labor.

We will consider two more estimates, both for an installation of ten ceiling outlet boxes and 100 ft. of ½-in. The correct estimate would be: 10 boxes at 0.53 hrs. ea..... 5.3 hrs.

100 ft. ½ in, cond. at 4 hrs./100 ft. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4.0 hrs.

Total 9.3 hrs.

Using the figures resulting from the incorrect distribution of labor, the estimate would be:

10 boxes at 0.325 hrs. ea.... 3.25 hrs. 100 it. ½ in. cond. at 5 hrs./

100 ft. . . . . . . . . 5.00 hrs.

Total 8.25 hrs.

In the latter estimate the time is one hour or approximately 11 percent low. Such errors destroy the profit ordinarily figured. Had there been no outlets at all, the estimate for the conduit would have been 5 hrs. as against the correct estimate of 4 hrs, and the error would have been 20%.

For accurate estimating one must charge labor to the item occasioning it.

TIME STUDIES—OUTLET BOXES		Time in Minutes	
,	Ceiling	Bracket	
Operation	Outlet	Outlet	
Time Studies (roughing)			
Distribute Material	1	1	
Locate Outlet-layout	5	6.5	
Knockout (2)	1	1	
Thread Pipe (2 1=2 in.)	8	8	
Place Box	2.5	4	
Nipple Down		6	
Install Cover		3	
	17.5	29.5	
. Time Study (finishing)			
Poling Up	4.5	4.5	
	22	34	
. Pro Rata Time			
Study Time.		1	
Preparation	2	3	
Pick up scattered outlets, unavoidable delays, etc	2.75	3.5	
	27.75	41.5	
Supervision	3 5	5.2	
	31.25	46.7	
5. Final adjusted unit for particular job	32	47	
<ol><li>Units (in hours) established for labor-unit tables the general run of jobs:</li></ol>	include re	visions to	
Ceiling Outlets (no plaster cover)	5 min. ea	-58 hrs.	
	9 min. ea	_89 hrs	

# **High Wiring Safety**

How an aluminum working platform was designed and constructed to aid and protect electricians installing lighting standards and navigation lights on bridges of the New Jersey Turnpike.

MERICA'S latest and most modern highspeed vehicular parkway, the New Jersey Turnpike, incorporates 263 concrete and steel structures along its 118-mile right-of-way. These structures include toll booths, restaurants, maintenance depots, service stations, radio towers, administration and police buildings. They also include a series of bridges, the longest having a 7100-foot span. Electrical work in and on all of these structures, together with all highway lighting, transformers and distribution equipment, was installed by the coordinated efforts of two New Jersey contracting companies: Lightning Electric Service of Newark and Emerson Garden Electric of Elizabeth. The electrical contract approximated \$2-million.

Since the installation was a race against tight time schedules, it is noteworthy that time was taken to double check all construction features, detail all field problems and plan for the protection of both personnel and equipment.

Accent on personal safety was particularly stressed on the various bridge projects where men—many of whom had been accustomed only to intermediate heights and indoor work frequently installed conduit, fittings, lighting standards and navigation lights high above rivers, railroad tracks or busy highways passing bereath the Turnpike.

When working in such locations it was mandatory for the men to use safety belts and lines, and to work from a specially-constructed platform suspended from railings. (Fig. 1)

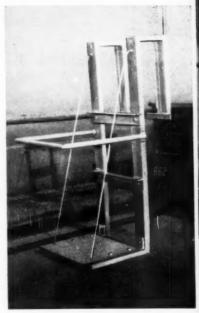
The platform, a 28-inch square of 4-inch plywood, was bolted to framing sections of 5-inch aluminum channel which in turn were bolted and reclded to 6-foot vertical channels of similar cross-section. In addition, 4-inch steel tie rods were angled upward from the outside corners of the platform to the tops of the vertical channels for added support. Three feet above the platform a guard

rail was installed, fabricated from 14-inch aluminum tubing and secured by welding. Steps, consisting of 3-by-4-inch aluminum angle sections, were bolted and welded on 2-foot spacings to the vertical channels, and provision for hooking the rig over bridge railings was obtained by adding inverted stirrups to the tops of the vertical channels. Continuing the practice of double safety, knees of stirrups were welded, drilled and reinforced by bolted interior angles.

While the weight of the rig was sufficient to prevent it from swaying or shifting under any anticipated actions, it was further insured against possible dislodgment by the installation of steel threaded anchor rodswhich were inserted through holes drilled in the vertical channels at points beneath the bridge railings. (Fig. 2) Rapidly-turned butterfly just speeded installation of these rods.

With the rig so positioned and so secured, workmen could go over the side of the bridges and work below the level of the roadbed with convenience, ease and safety. Belts and safety lines that passed around the railings were other precautions against workers slipping or falling from their otherwise-precarious positions. (Fig. 3)

For raising and lowering the platform, a rig was designed for one of Lightning's small trucks, constructed from lengths of 11- and 11inch steel pipe. (Fig. 4) Two of these pipes were bent to form a 2-legged support for the third section which served as a boom for supporting a 2-sheave block. Sockets were secured to the truck body to hold the feet of the three sections, and all of the pipes were drilled at their common points of intersection to permit the insertion of a fulcrum pin. With one man steadying the rig as it was lowered over the side and with a second man controlling the tension on the tackle (Fig. 5), the platform was easily and quickly positioned.



1—Aluminum working platform is welded and bolted. Assembly is supported by . . .



4 — Rig for lowering and raising the platform was fabricated from pipe and could be assembled and secured



 $2-\frac{1}{\text{bridge, prevented from shifting by installation of anchor rods.}}$ 



 $\mathbf{3}$  — Safety belt and line that is secured around the bridge railing. With these precautions, workers installed electrical fittings with ease and security.



quickly to a light truck body, used to facilitate putting platform in place. Rope was passed through a . . .



**5** — Two-sheave block at outer end of the boom. One man steadied the platform while a second man regulated the tension on the hoist line. This investment prevented material waste, speeded progress, prevented any serious injuries.

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FIG. 1-Front page of both cards (side by side) shows printed form for insertion of pertinent motor data. Card 2 (right) stays with motor.

# Check List Cards BOOST Shop Efficiency

Printed job cards at Scherer Electric Co. list materials and shop operations for motor repairs; reduce mechanic's paper work yet provide accurate data and records for costing.

ROFITABLE motor repair shop terial and labor operations applied to operation depends to a large extent upon knowing exactly what it costs to repair equipment coming into the shop. Otherwise, management has no means of knowing whether it is heading for profit or loss-particularly in the present high material and labor cost market. Regardless of cost accounting method used, a complete record of all ma-

each repair job is a basic require-

A unique check list card system does this job very nicely at the Scherer Electric Company in Indianapolis, Indiana. Used successfully for quite some time, this method precludes the possibility of inadvertent omission of material or labor items which should be charged to a specific repair job. It provides management with accurate costing records at a minimum expenditure of mechanic's time on shop paper work. And there is no excuse for slip-ups.

Two folded, printed "cards" are used. Each measures 41 inches wide and 9% inches high when folded; 84 inches wide when open. For purposes of identification let's call them Card 1 and Card 2. Card 1 is of fairly



FOLDED JOB CARDS of light yellow color are filed alphabetically in standard time-card rack at shop superintendent C. C. McLean's desk; facilitate replies to inquiries.



SAMPLE COILS of repaired motors tagged for job identification and essential data are normally kept for a year, then join the scrap pile.

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FIG. 2—Check list of repair operations is printed on inside spread of Card 1, shown opened up. Check-mark shows work done on motor. This card stays in superintendent's rack.

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			Metalogener
			Bulletts
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**FIG. 3**—Materials check list on inside spread of Card 2 which follows motor through shop. Mechanics list quantities in proper spaces. Note slogan at top of list.

heavy paper stock and light yellow in color; remains in the shop superintendent's rack while the repair job is in progress. Card 2, of much heavier stock, is a buff color and stays with the job through all phases of repair. Each folded card has, in effect, four pages on which data can be listed.

The upper half of the first page of each card has an identical printed form for insertion of customer's name and address, date, nameplate data, and information on general condition of motor when received. The receiving clerk fills in this data on Card I when a motor comes into the shop. A sheet of carbon paper between Cards 1 and 2 transfers this information to the buff job card. Here, the similarity between cards ends. The bottom half of Card 1 has space for inserting notification and shipping information as well as service data. The similar portion of Card 2 has a printed form for inserting pertinent coil data and listing of necessary repairs.

The inside spread (pages 2 and 3) of Card 1 contains a printed list of 23 different repair operations with a total of 98 specific categories. A check-mark in a small square after each category denotes what work has

been performed on the motor. For example: Suppose a squirrel cage motor was dismantled, parts cleaned, stator rewound with four extra varnish dips, two ball bearings replaced, unit assembled, tested and painted. To indicate that all this work had been done, the mechanic or shop superintendent need only make seven checkmarks on the check list inside Card 1. The back of this card (page 4) is blank. Actual hours spent on the job come from time slips.

A complete check list of materials used in motor repairs is printed on the inside spread of the heavy buff Card 2 which stays with the motor as it progresses along the repair line. Plenty of blank spaces are provided for special material items. The mechanic inserts only quantities on the proper line. A pricing column at the right of each list is for cost department use. The back (page 4) of Card 2 has a form for inserting final test data and a report of work done.

Actual procedure is simple. After the receiving clerk makes his entries, the two cards are separated. The original (Card 1) goes to the office for credit rating and entry in the job register, then returns to the shop and is filed alphabetically (according

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FIG. 4—Record of test data on back of Card 2 with space for report of work done.



Retiring president M. F. Zack and Mrs. Zack, Mason City, Iowa; new president R. A. Scherer and Mrs. Scherer, Indianapolis, Indiana.



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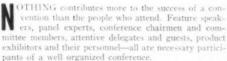
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C. R. Medsker, Miller-Seldon Electric Co., Detroit; F. H. Cannon, Cannon Electric Co., Brookhaven, Miss.; Roy Blersch, Martindale Electric Co., Cleveland; A. D. Coppinger, Coppinger Machinery Service, Bluefield, W. Va.

# At NISA's Chicago Conference

Convention recently held at Chicago's Conrad Hilton Hotel.



The recent Chicago convention will long be remembered as the largest (to date) in NISA's history. More than 900 shop operators and guests from some 34 states and Canada enjoyed the outstanding program. From the lens of our rowing camera, we present a necessarily small cross-section of that most important ingredient of any convention in action—the persons who were there.



Emil J. Shumberg, Shumberg Electric Co.; Leo Glynn, Glynn Electric —both from Houston, Texas.



Ben F. Whaley, Whaley Electrical Service, Columbia, S. C., participates in a technical forum.



E. N. Rude, Marshfield Electric Motor Co., Marshfield, Wis. Orville Ellefson, Forks Electric, Grand Forks, N. D.



E. T. Watkins, E. T. Watkins Electric Motor Service, Rochester, Minn.; Ray Adams, Powerite Electric Motor Co., Austin, Minn.



George R. Lockwood, Lockwood Electric Motor Service, Trenton, N. J.; Patrick J. Gallagher, P. J. Gallagher, Kingston, N. Y.; Joseph T. Gallagher, Commodore Elec. Co., Albany, N. Y.



Trans-continental panel of experts at transformer forum; (L to R) Samuel Heller, New York City: J. F. Ferrari, Chicago; C. J. Covington, Mt. Vernon, Ill.: R. E. Ward, Raleigh, N. C.; J. R. Horton, Phoenix, Ariz.; G. A. Phares, Oklahoma City; George Larsen, Los Angeles.



James Burch, Cleveland Electric Co., Birmingham, Ala.; John F. Loyd, Loyd Electric Co., Inc., San Antonio; Walter Ziegenbein, General Bearing Co., Chicago; and Albert Brazzel, Bedford Electric Co., Bedford, Ind.



H. L. Patchett, Industrial Electric Co., Everett, Wash.; R. G. Jones, Southern Industrial Marketers, Beckley, W. Va.; Meyer Friedkin, Electric Enterprise Co., New York City.



L. J. Greenfield, New York City; W. C. Reeves, Monticello, Ind.; R. B. Floyd, Champaign, Ill.; A. O. Kieen, Austin, Texas; R. E. S. Swan, Hanover, Pa.; Walter Bailey, Washington, D. C.; and Samuel Heller (seated), New York City.



Fred W. Kiemle, The Fred W. Kiemle Co., Toledo, Ohio; H. B. Nussbaum, V. M. Nussbaum & Co., Ft. Wayne, Indiana.



Charles French, French-Gerleman Electric Co., St. Louis, brings up a pertinent engineering question at a forum session.



C. W. Nunn, Swanson-Nunn Electric Co., Evansville, Ind.; and C. J. Covington, Dowzer Electric Machinery Works, Mt. Vernon, Ill.



Paul Martin, president, Northwestern Electric Co., Chicago; Clayton Doremire, Dow Corning Corp., Midland, Michigan.



Joseph F. Ferrari, Excel Electric Service Co., Chicago, who masterminded the program agenda and forum sessions.



Michael E. Assalone, Florida Electric Motor Co., Miami, Fla.; J. F. Downer, J. F. Downer Electric Repair Shop, Lilesville, N. C.



A. A. Ludke, Ludke Electric Co., Inc., Vicksburg, Miss.; Paul T. Bonham, Tri-State Armature & Electric Works, Memphis, Tenn.



Durward V. Harris, Motorite Electric Co., Dayton, Ohio; and S. J. Stewart, S. J. Stewart Electric Co., New Orleans.



SELF SUPPORTING CABLE has in-built messenger and spiral-wound metal binding tape which passes around conductors. Cut-away view shows construction.

# PREASSEMBLED AERIAL CABLE

This trim, light-weight means for carrying current has numerous advantages and applications for the industrial plant. Here are the basic facts concerning its selection, installation and splicing.

By Hugh P. Scott

CONOMICALLY, the initial cost of a preassembled aerial cable installation is considerably less than underground construction. Compared with open-wire construction it is basically higher, but where open wiring requires the use of higher poles, extra hardware, trimming of adjacent trees or additional labor, the total yearly cost of self-supporting cables frequently proves to be less. Therefore, where the expense of underground wiring is not warranted, yet where open-wire construction would not give complete satisfaction, preassembled aerial cables render a definite service.

Aside from cost, its use is recommended in localities where high winds, ice or sleet loads are possibilities. Here the high dielectric and tensile strengths of self-supporting cables minimize the possibility of mechanical or electrical failure, prevent short circuits and lessen the likelihood of abrasion. Also, since cables can continue in use when on the ground, even pole breakage will not necessarily interrupt service.

Maintenance (again referring to open wiring for comparison) is another item where savings can be effected, since savings can be obtained when selecting capacities for lightning protective equipment.

Preasembled aerial cable is also recommended for its appearance, because even three-phase circuits call for only a single, compact, cable requiring no additional cross-arms or brackets. Furthermore, binding the conductors closely together, better voltage regulation is obtained.

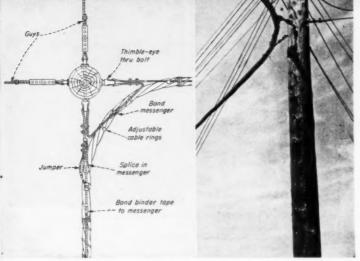
Preassembled aerial cables are flexible, light, compact factory-made products combining either one or several insulated and protected conductors with supporting messengers, the messenger and conductors being bound together by means of a spiral-wound metal strip. Available in many combinations, these assemblies provide a selection of conductor sizes, insulation characteristics and messenger types.

Popular combinations include single conductors used in single-phase ungrounded circuits where voltages are below 5-kv and where the hard-drawn copper messenger (having approximately the same conductivity as the conductor) can serve as a ground return. Other cables with wide applications are 3-conductor assemblies, likewise designed for voltages below 5-kv. Then there are popular single- and 3-conductor assemblies designed for 7.5 and 15-kv grounded neutral services. All of these combinations utilize high grade rubber insulation. Although cables specified for the lower voltage ranges are sheathed only in a neoprene jacket, the higher voltage assemblies are shielded either by bronze or stainless steel tape wrapped over the insu-

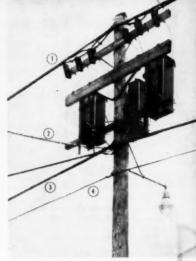
While aerial cables have been used for many years to distribute power, there recently has been a noticeable increase in their use due to the accumulated experience on the parts of manufacturers and users. With accurate engineering data now available, it is possible to rapidly select cables



CONVENTIONAL SUSPENSION of braid-covered cables frequently results in a frayed and deteriorated cable sheath, the resultant contact of conductors with each other or with grounded rings, low surface resistance and heavy current drainage.



CABLE TURN AT CORNER POLE is made without cutting either messenger or cable by the installation of guy wires, thimble-eye bolts, jumpers and supports as indicated.



APPLICATIONS include primary cables (1), customer service circuits (2), secondary lines (3) and lighting circuit (4),

for specific applications, consulting a comparatively small list for types and sizes.

In industrial plants it can be used both indoors and out: indoors when power circuits can be carried high in the trusses where it is safe against damage, and outdoors on either poles or brackets attached to plant buildings. As a compact means for carrying current, it minimizes congested wiring and can be used in close quarters.

#### Installation

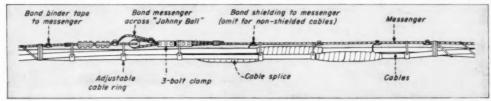
Aside from erection and guying of poles, preassembled aerial cable can be installed by a line crew of from seven to ten men; a team consisting of foreman, truck driver, four linemen and four groundmen being recommended.

Tools for installation include those normally used for heavy line construction work, plus two special types of cable running blocks. Of these, one is designed for use on tangent poles, the other for use on angle poles. Tangent pole blocks have either wooden or aluminum sheaves with wide, deep grooves to accommodate the largest cables anticipated. Frames are either bolted to poles, using one bolt to secure both frame and messenger clamp, or fastened by means of a chain clamp encircling the pole. Angle pole blocks are similar except for the frame mounting which permits the block to swing laterally away from the pole when the cable is pulled in, in that way preventing the cable from riding up on the side of the block.

Installation of the cable begins with drilling holes in the mounting poles at the proper elevation for cable messenger clamps, mounting the cable running block and threading the pulling-in rope in the sheave. Each lineman is assisted by a groundman who keeps the required tools and material moving upwards by means of a tool bag and hand line. Several poles are rigged before cable pulling actually begins.

Power for pulling is supplied by fastening the pulling-in rope to either a winch or to the drawbar of the line truck. The other end of the rope is attached with a swivel connection to the end of the cable messenger. As the cable is unreeled, a groundman keeps the cable from becoming fouled or kinked. He also regulates tension on the cable by operating a braking device, regulating the speed of unreeling to the speed of the pulling truck. As the cable approaches each pole, it is guided through the running block by a lineman who makes sure that the sheave is turning freely, that the cable is not dragging over any of the hardware, and that there are no twists in the back spans. When the lineman is assured that the cable is passing through the running block smoothly, he descends, proceeds to a pole further along the line of travel, and repeats the operation until the cable is completely unreeled or until either the end of the line or a dead end is reached.

The entire procedure is under the guidance of the foreman who stations himself in a position from where he can check the progress of unreeling,



**DETAIL OF SPLICES** shows method of installing messenger connectors, clamps, adjustable cable rings and flexible bonds (for shielded cables). All splices (messenger and cable) are staggered. Binding tape is secured by multiple wrapping.

#### PREASSEMBLED AERIAL CABLE (continued)

watch the activities of his linemen, and signal his truck driver when required.

#### Dead Ends

For the purpose of dead ending, preassembled aerial cable is manufactured with several additional feet of messenger at the ends of each length of cable. Dead ending, of course, occurs at the beginning and end of each cable project. In addition, large angles and junctions frequently require dead ending and guying in each direction of run. Temporary dead ends should be established when the distance between permanent dead ends is greater than the footage of a single reel of cable.

It is customary to install cable lengths progressively from starting to end point, splicing messengers as the work progresses. However, the final reel of cable is set up at the terminating dead ending position, the cable is pulled backwards along the line to the last temporary dead end and the continuity of messenger is completed with a final splice.

#### Splicing

Messenger splices make use of conventional messenger connectors and clamps. By initially overlapping the ends of adjacent messengers by about 4 feet, splicing crews are given sufficient cable to stagger the joints of a multi-conductor cable and to permit messengers to pass through the connector and be doubled back along their own lengths for clamping. With single-conductor cables, an overlap of about a foot permits splices.

The final messenger splice requires the aid of the line truck winch and a winchline passing through a snatch block on the dead end pole to a messenger grip. As the grip on the temporary messenger connection is slackened, this auxiliary anchor can be removed. Final tension and sag adjustment is secured by means of chain falls or guy pullers.

Copper binding tapes are unwrapped at splice points to permit messenger to pass through connectors and be bent back along their own length. After messenger splices are completed, binding tapes are rewrapped around overlapped sections to provide temporary support pending their final splicing.

Splices and terminations of preassembled aerial cables should be moisture-proof and have dielectric strengths equal to the cable installation. Splices are made with copper cable connectors, cement, and insulation, are staggered for appearance and compactness, and are finally covered with friction tape, copper shielding braid and a plastic covering tape. Flexible bonds are established between the several ends of the cable shielding and messenger.

#### Selection and Advantages

Single phase 5-kw grounded neutral cables generally run from number 6AWG to 4/0 in size, have current carrying capacities between 89- and 337-amps, and resistances (for conductor and messenger) between 0.5 and 0.05 ohms per 1000 feet. Three-phase 5-kv. 7.5 kv and 15-kv cables have slightly smaller ranges of ampere and resistance ratings. Since cable weights vary from 442 pounds per 1000 feet (single conductor, 5-kv, shielded, grounded neutral) to 4200 lbs/1000 ft (3- conductor 15-kv ditto), messenger characteristics are likewise variable, going from 3 x 7 (with a permissible tension of 2770 pounds) to reth (designed for a 5900 pound tension). Tension is determined by the formula:

 $T = WS^2/8d$ 

where T is the horizontal tension in the messenger (pounds), S is the length of the ruling span (feet), W is the weight of the cable and messenger together (lbs per ft) and d is the sag (feet). Ruling span is the average span plus \( \frac{3}{3} \) rd the difference between average and maximum spans.

Specific requirements of cables, of course, depend upon the voltage range and the number of conductors required. For voltages of 5-kv and below, neoprene jackets are recommended, although bronze or stainless steel shielding tape is also available. Shielding is used for voltages above 5-kv.

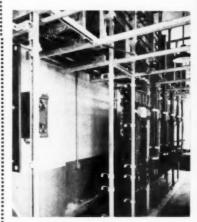
Conductor size depends upon current-carrying requirements and permissible voltage drops. Tables can be secured from all manufacturers.

In review, it should be noted that self-supporting preassembled acrial cables have the following advantages:

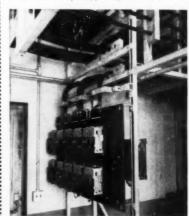
(1) Reasonable cost, (2) good appearance, (3) no messenger rings required, (4) simple to install, (5) light weight, (6) long permissible spans, (7) less congestion on poles, (8) overlength poles not needed to clear adjacent trees, (9) tree trimming minimized, (10) fewer service interruptions, (11) messenger serves as neutral, (12) lower reactance improves circuit regulation, (13) clearance span past buildings is minimized, (14) grade clamps not required, (15) resistance against storm damage, (16) lead sheaths not required, (17) stock items minimized, (18) improved conductivity, (19) higher voltage insulation, End (20) permanent covering.



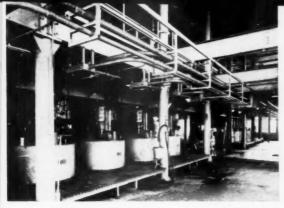
SIX-TIER TRAPEZE bar of strut sections carries concentration of heavy conduit feeders.



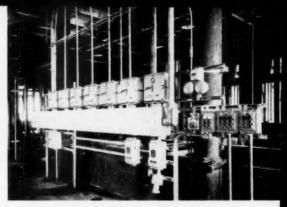
COMBINATION CABLE AND CONTROL rack in centrifuge control room. Maple block cable clamps support open feeder.



CLOSEUP OF A PROCESS TIMER PANEL in centrifuge control room showing details of cable supports.



**FEEDERS AND CONTROLS** for centrifuge motors are supported by trapeze hangers. Lateral channels of back-to back strut are clamped to cross beams.



BANK OF MOTOR CONTROLS on strut rack typifies standard method of grouping miscellaneous control equipment throughout plant. Note feeder conduit and trough.

# Flexible Framing Speeds Plant Rewiring

Engineering detail and construction time were kept to a minimum through use of Unistrut metal framing in rewiring American Sugar Refining Company's Chalmette plant.

By Z. K. Remy, Electrical Engineer, C. W. Nussbaum Electric Company, New Orleans, Louisiana

OMPLETE rewiring of the huge Chalmette Refinery of The American Sugar Refining Company, makers of Domino Sugars, resulted in an extensive electrical construction program. With basic engineering done by Baker and Spencer, Inc., of New York, the actual installation was under the supervision of the following American Sugar technical personnel: plant engineer Arther Luehrmann, construction engineer D. J. Coles, and electrical engineer Harry Hall. A large part of the work was done by the C. W. Nussbaum Electric Company and the rest by the Refinery electrical department.

During nearly all phases of the construction program it was necessary to support heavy loads—conduits, cable raceways, switchgear, timercontrol panels, motor control equipment and other electrical apparatus. In the past, support problems such as these were solved by using structural steel members and channel-iron and angle-iron racks. But this normally requires considerable time-consuming detail layout work with nec-

essary cutting, punching, drilling and welding of various members; plus the special equipment needed.

#### **Modern Products Speed Construction**

Time was an important factor in this specific project. All concerned were seeking a means of doing the job quickly and easily with a minimum of dislocation throughout the piant area. To accomplish this, the engineers chose a flexible metal framing system called Unistrut-with its strong, square cross-sectional type framing member equipped with a continuous slot with in-turned edges to hold spring-supported nuts and bolts at any point along its length. Serrations on the face of the nut contacting the edges of the channel slot provide clamping action and prevent slippage even when heavy equipment is mounted in a vertical plane.

The variety of fittings available with this system permitted quick construction of practically any type of rack and support needed with only a hacksaw and wrench. Also simplified was the problem of supporting

conduits, equipment, open-wiring control cables, and other raceways either separately or in combination grouping. How this was done is clearly illustrated.

Biggest advantages noted by both plant and contractor's engineers included:

 Great reduction in engineering detail layout because of the extreme flexibility and adjustability of the framing system. Layout dimensioning was practically eliminated.

2. Construction time was kept to a minimum because of fast on-the-job assembly and general erection ease. Last-minute shifting of racked equipment could be easily made to match conduit or cable entries—instead of training heavy cables or bending conduits to meet equipment requirements as when mounted to drilled racks.

3. Future changes and additions to the existing framing structures can be easily made. Also, all framing members can be re-used should a major change be in order.

4. No welding, drilling, punching and special tools were required.









#### By Walter J. Prise

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OOLS and instruments for electrical maintenance work can be divided roughly into two categories -primary equipment and secondary equipment. Primary equipment consists of those hand tools, power tools and instruments which make up the working kit of the maintenance mechanic and are used generally for maintenance work. Secondary equipment includes the tools and instruments which are used only occasionally in special phases of the work. Usually, a small room or locker is set aside for storing the secondary equipment which can be quickly dispatched to the mechanics when necessary.

Because proper tools and instruments are so essential to effective electrical maintenance, care should be taken to see that they are adequate within the scope of the maintenance operation. The following sections list the types and uses of tools and instruments required for preventive maintenance and general repair and trouble-shooting. A discussion of larger tools and special shop equipment is beyond the scope of this article.

#### TOOLS

MECHANICS TOOL KIT should contain a wide assortment of small tools and accessories. The following is recommended (Fig. 1, left to right)

Gas pliers—A handy tool for general work on wire, small pipe, bolts and other small objects.

Adjustable 10-in. werench-For work on larger motors and machines.

Adjustable 8-in. wrench—For work on smaller motors.

Screwdrivers-One or two heavy



# MAINTENANCE TOOLS AND INSTRUMENTS

Effective electrical maintenance requires a wide assortment of tools and instruments for trouble-shooting and repair. The following discussion covers the types and uses of primary and secondary maintenance equipment.

screwdrivers for heavier work on large bolts and screws and for many uses which screwdrivers have.

Small screwdriver—For smaller work where it can be used to advantage.

Allen screw wrenches—Medium sizes for use when Allen screws are used.

Ball point hammer—Small or medium, for knocking drive pins and keys out of shafts, for loosening of tight parts, for disassembling of end bells, etc.

Cutting pliers—For bi-secting and skinning heavier wires.

Long nose pliers—For making wire loops, gripping in tight places, etc. Diagonal cutters—For working with small wires.

Tap set and holder-For threading small holes.

Centerpunch—Used for marking parts before dismantling begins and for centerpunching of holes.

Small cold chisel—For chipping stubborn burrs and rivets and for driving-

off pulleys, etc.

Undercutting file—For use on commutators, to undercut mica, etc.

Flat 10-in. file—Used for heavy filing jobs, such as keys, shafts, etc.

Small paint brush—For cleaning the inside of motors, removing dirt from brush holders, etc.

Hack saw blades—For use as a small saw, for undercutting commutators and for scraping surfaces. The complete hack saw can be carried in the kit when there is enough need for it to justify its added weight.

Commutator stone—For correcting flat surfaces on a commutator and for cleaning surfaces when turning of commutator is not essential.

Brush seater—For adjusting the brush to the surface of the commutator.

Sandpaper and canvas pads-For filing

and polishing commutator.

Rubber and friction tape—For insulating connections and joints.

Pencil—For on-the-spot notes and incidental bookkeeping.

Wire brush-For scouring hard-toclean surfaces.

Fuse puller—For pulling fuses with case and safety.

Sharp knife—Very handy for miscellaneous cutting work.

Flashlight and 6' wooden folding rule
—Both have many uses on the job.

Hardware and spare parts—A tool kit
should include an assortment of the
most commonly used bolts, screws and
nuts and an assortment of brushes for
emergency replacement. Soft rags or
waste should also be carried in the kit.

SECONDARY TOOLS are used only occasionally in maintenance work. These tools can be stored in a place from which they can be quickly dispatched to any job. An adequate complement of such tools is as follows:

(Fig. 2)

Thermometer—For checking temperature on suspicious parts.

Feeler gages—To measure clearances and to determine wear on bearings.

Spring balance—For checking tension on brush holder springs and controller coils.

Electric drill—For on-the-job drilling. Soldering iron—For making permanent connections.

Air blower—For periodic cleaning of motors and other assemblies.

Air hammer and set of chisels-For heavy cutting.

Rawhide mallets—For driving shafts and other parts which would be damaged if a metal hammer were used. Pulley-puller—For removing stubborn

pulleys from shafts.

Sledge hammer-For heavy hammering work.

Set of drift pins-For knocking out motor end bell holding rods.

#### INSTRUMENTS

PRIMARY INSTRUMENTS are used for routine maintenance testing and repair. Only the smallest of these should be carried by the mechanic, and only when necessary. Primary instruments should include the following: (Fig. 3)

Test lamp—A commonly used homemade instrument used in testing fuses, checking circuit continuity, and, if a carbon filament lamp is used, in distinguishing between series and shunt fields

Neon tube tester—A handy device for quickly locating a "hot" circuit.

Ohmmeter—A good replacement for the old test lamp, providing mechanics understand its use. Very useful for testing the resistance of motor fields, resistors, holding coils, etc.

Megohmmeter—For checking insulation resistance and testing for grounds. Ammeters—For load testing on motors and main and branch circuits, for checking load balance on different phase legs, etc. On dc circuits, shunts must be used, although direct reading dc instruments are available. A set of 50 millivolt shunts can be obtained to fit condition of load and must be used with 50 mv instruments. In some cases, direct reading instruments are preferable for personnel who are inexperienced in the use of shunts.

In most cases, current transformers must be used for ac work. With 5

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Office of Secretary to Assistant Comptroller General



Conference Room

INDIRECT LIGHTING is provided in the Conference Room
and all office areas of the Comptroller General's suite by

T-8 slimline lamps of

suspended fluorescent Type K luminaires. Light source is T-8 slimline lamps operated at 300 ma. The indirect reflec-

# Special Lighting at GAO

Lighting equipment and techniques used to light public areas in General Accounting Office building were specially designed and selected to conform to architectural treatment, provide specific lighting results.

#### By Berlon C. Cooper

THE lighting of all public areas and of the Comptroller General's suite in the government's new General Accounting Office building, Washington, D. C., is accomplished with luminaires of special design, and with special application of standard lighting equipment and devices. While the building has been occupied since last August (EC&M, September, 1951) when lighting was installed in all general office areas, installation of special lighting has only recently been completed, production and delivery having been delayed due to materials shortages.

This installation is of interest in that all large public buildings follow the principle of lighting special and public areas with special lighting designs and layouts, or with standard designs using special finishes and otherwise selected to conform with the architect's design and decorative treatments of such areas.

At GAO, two types of lighting treatment were selected for special lighting. Indirect lighting was selected for the conference room and all office areas in the Comptroller General's suite, for the main corridor and elevator lobbies

on the street level floor, and for the telephone switchboard room, Recessed troffers were used for most other public areas, such as in the main entrance vestibules and lobbies, in the corridors, the cafeteria, and over the escalators including upper and lower landings. Troffers in main entrances and vestibules and in the cafeterias are equipped with diffusing glass panels, while louvers are used in other locations. Use of these built-in elements provide functional lighting where needed, and maintain clean architectural treatment in keeping with the general design of the entire building.

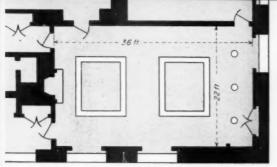
Indirect lighting in the Comptroller General's suite is accomplished by means of suspended indirect fluorescent luminaires (Type K), equipped with two or three continuous rows of T-8 slimline lamps, operated at 200 or 300 ma., as required for each area. These luminaires are run in parallel rows in some offices, and formed in squares or rectangles in other offices. The resulting lighting intensities average 30 footcandles.

Main floor lobbies are cove lighted, using T-6 slimline fluorescent lamps in the coves (Type F) operated at 300 ma., to provide an average of 15 contemples

Bulletin boards and telephone booths

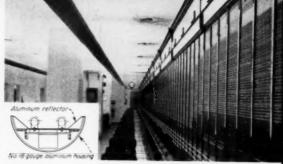
are effectively lighted by specular aluminum reflectors recessed in metal housings, designed to project a strong asymmetric light distribution to provide even illumination over the areas involved in each case. Bulletin boards are inclined at an angle to aid in providing even illumination. Reflectors in telephone booths are located at the front edge of the booth ceiling, so that maximum light may be directed to the telephone dial and the directory shelf. Both vertical and horizontal illumination is approximately 25 footcandles at points where needed.

The accompanying illustrations are typical for the installation, and cover some of the more important designs. All special lighting fixtures were included in the general contract. They were manufactured by Moe-Bridges Corp., Sheboygan, Wisconsin, and were furnished and installed by Joint Adventurers (Harry Alexander, Inc., Edward C. Ernst, and the Howard P. Foley Co., Inc., all of Washington, D. C.), electrical contractors for this project. All luminaires and lighting were designed and specified by the Lighting Group, Mechanical-Electrical Section, Design Branch of Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration, U. S. Government, Washington, D. C.



Lighting Plan-Comptroller General's Office

tors are arranged in square and rectangular patterns and in continuous rows for the various office areas. The standard

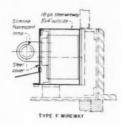


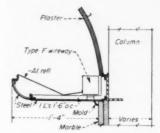
Type K

Telephone Switchboard Room

PBS Type No. 367 indirect luminaire is used to light the telephone switchboard room. Average intensity 30 footcandles.

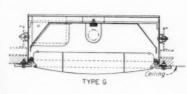


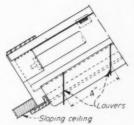




COVE LIGHTING in main corridor and first floor lobbies provides 15 footcandles, using 42T6 slimlines operated at 300 ma.



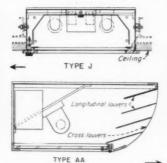




RECESSED TROFFERS light escalators and landings. Louvers in sloping ceiling are installed vertically for maximum shielding.

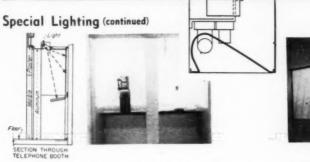


**RECESSED TROFFERS** with glass diffusing lenses light main entrances and entrance vestibules.

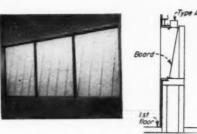




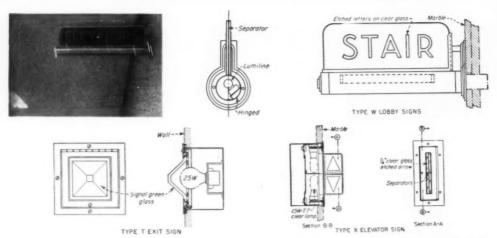
SPECIAL LUMINAIRE using continuous single slimline lamp lights low ceiling in assembly room and foyer.



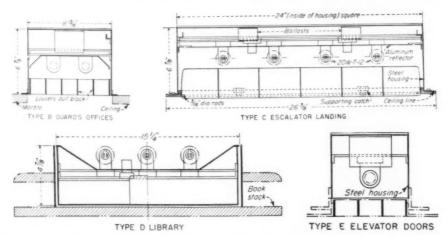
**TELEPHONE BOOTHS** are brightly lighted, with 25 footcandles on dial (vertical) and on directory (horizontal) by asymmetric light distribution from recessed specular reflector.



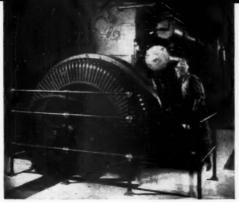
**BULLETIN BOARDS** are evenly lighted by using asymmetric reflectors and tilting boards.



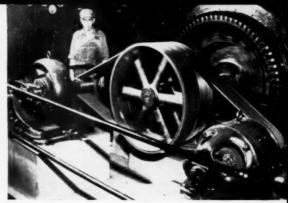
DIRECTIONAL SIGNS are custom designed to harmonize with architectural details, made of aluminum with satin finish.



RECESSED UNITS were used for general lighting in most public areas. These are typical, designed to meet special requirements.



"SPEED UP" DRIVE from large generator permits use of small, high speed exciter which occupies little space and provides a highly efficient, economical and compact installation.



**DOUBLE V-BELT DRIVE** from one generator transmits power to two exciters simultaneously—one to the generator itself, the other to a large synchronous motor.

# V-Belt Fundamentals

Properly engineered V-belt drives provide economical power transmission with definite savings in space and equipment.

#### By Frank H. Rumble

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WHILE engineering of V-belt drives is fundamentally within the realm of mechanical engineering principles, the selection of the proper drive and reasons for so doing are of interest to all electrical men specifying, installing or operating motors, exciters, generators and similar rotating equipment. In fact, the efficient performance and life of such equipment depends to a large extent upon the application of the proper drive.

Of further interest is the extent to which the selection of an adequate V-belt drive for any application is based upon the characteristics of the motor used. The motive force, of course, can be any type of prime mover, but as a matter of record it is estimated that more than 98% of multiple V-belt drives in use transmit power from individual electric motors.

Since V-belt engineering principles are well established, an adequate drive usually can be obtained by following instructions outlined in catalogs of any reputable manufacturer of either V-belts or sheaves. Methods in these catalogs may vary, but all are based on the same fundamental principles of belt ratings, speed, horsepower and characteristics of driver and driven machine.

#### Cheap Drives Are Not Always Economical

Rather than explain in detail how to engineer a V-belt drive, this article will attempt to point out rehy various factors must be considered in order to select a drive which is both economical and soundly engineered.

It is readily apparent that the most economical V-belt drive for any application is one that renders the most efficient service over the longest period of time. From an engineering standpoint, the best drive combines low first cost with low maintenance.

Nominal horsepower and rpm of a motor provides a logical starting point in determining the ultimate design but, in addition, the designer must consider:

- 1) The characteristics of the motor and driven machine,
  - 2) Overload capacity,

- 3) Sizes of belts and sheaves,
- 4) Belt velocity,
- 5) Arc of contact, and
- Conditions under which the drive operates.

V-belt drive selection must be based on the motor and load factor as well as on horsepower and speed, rather than on the basis of motor nameplate alone.

The first thing to be noted is the manner in which the characteristics of the motor can affect the selection of the drive (See Table I). For example; it makes a difference whether the driving unit is a squirrel cage motor with high starting torque, a dc motor with comparatively low starting torque load, or perhaps a slip ring motor with inherent capacity to withstand considerable overloading. Some types require more overload capacity in the drive than others.

Similarly, the load thrown on the drive in starting and running depends on the type and characteristics of the driven machine. The shock load of a crusher, for example, requires more reserve horsepower-transmitting capacity in the drive than a smoother operating machine tool or centrifugal

TABLE I

PRIME MOVER	Starting Torque	Pull-Out Terque	Constant or Variable Speed
Squirrel Cage Motors			
Normal Torque (Line Start)	110 to 150%	200 to 250%	Constant
Normal Torque (Compensator Start)	110 to 150%	220 to 250%	Constant
High Torque	200 to 300%	200 to 400%	Constant
Wound Refer Meter (Slip Ring Type)	150 to 250%	200 to 250%	Variable
Synchronous Motors			
Normal Torque	110 to 125%	150 to 250%	Constant
High Torque	160 to 200%	250 to 400%	Constant
Single Phase Motors			
Repulsion and Split-Phase	230 to 500%	250 to 400%	Constant
Capacitor	150 to 200%	175 to 200%	Constant
Direct Current Motors			
Shunt Wound	50 to 100%	150% Peak	Both
Compound Wound	50 to 100%	Momentary Load S	Both

pump. A conveyor may pose still another problem. Considerable more power is often needed to start a load than to drive it at normal speed.

Typical service factors for various types of prime movers range from 1.0 to 2.0; average about 1.4. To arrive at the "actual" horsepower capacity to be used, multiply the rated horsepower of the motor (ie, the nameplate rating) by the service factor. This will insure the proper margin of safety. When in doubt, it is better to run the risk of overbelting a drive rather than to underbelt it.

#### Bare Minimums Are Risky

Proper engineering of drives requires adequate belt and sheave sizes for both economy and efficiency. Reducing the sizes of either for first cost saving usually increases the overall cost beyond justifiable limits.

Selection of sizes (cross section) of V-belts depends upon the horsepower of the drive and the speed of the motor or driven machine, whichever is the greater (See Table II). Based on nominal horsepower, this table is the result of experience in engineering thousands of drives. While there may be some exceptions, its recommendations are usually found to be correct and, in most cases, to offer the only logical choice in selection of the proper belt section.

Sheaves smaller than "permissible" minimums can be used with various size belts only at a great sacrifice of belt life. The reason for this is that sheave diameters have a definite relationship to the width and thickness of the belts used on any V-belt drive. Standard rubber V-belts are constructed, of fabric, cord and rubber

compound in proportions which experience has shown to stand up longest under the work the belts are designed to do. The bending of a V-belt in a natural, easy arc determines the smallest sheave that can be used without distorting the belt. If it is bent beyond this "easy arc" by use of a sheave whose diameter is too small, its super-structure is disarranged and internal friction causes it to heat and deteriorate.

Although laboratory tests and service records show that reasonable belt life can be expected with sheaves as small as the permissible minimum, it is better to use sheaves somewhat larger than the minimum if at all possible. Use of the larger diameter sheaves means less flexing of the belts, reduction of internal heat and friction, and consequently, longer belt life, For example: use of a 5.4-inch or a 4.6inch sheave with "B" section belts is not the difference between success or failure of the drive. It will operate. But use of a 6.0-inch instead of a 4.6inch sheave will make considerable difference in the life of the belts. If belts on a 4.6-inch sheave have a life of two years, under likewise favorable circumstances, it would not be unusual with a 6.0-inch sheave for the drive to have a belt life of from four to six years, or more.

Larger diameter sheaves may cost more, but belts do not need to be replaced as frequently. The cost of replacing only one set of belts usually offsets the difference in cost of slightly larger sheaves.

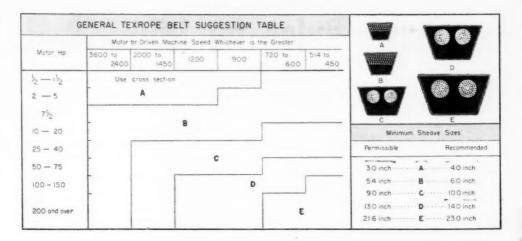
#### Belt Velocity Affects HP Capacity

The maximum diameter of sheaves used on a drive is governed by space

limits and belt velocity. The first condition requires little explanation. If space does not permit as large a diameter sheave as desired, the only other choice is to try to use a smaller one with grooves for enough belts to drive the load safely. Such drive may not be the most economical, but it will be the best engineered for existing conditions. Belt velocity requires more detailed explanation. Between practical limits, the larger the diameter of the driving sheave, the greater the velocity of the belt and the more horsepower each belt of the drive is capable of transmitting. For greater efficiency belts should not travel too fast or too slow. When considering practical limits governing belt velocity, horsepower rating tables for standard belts usually show a recommended belt velocity between 1000 and 5000 feet per minute.

There is a reason for these limits. A belt at slow speed transmits less horsepower than when it is traveling faster. So a multiple V-belt drive as a whole requires more belts when speed is low. Since the power rating of a belt is quite low at a velocity of less than 1000 feet per minute, it is not economical nor good engineering practice to go below this point on most drives.

An equally good reason exists for limiting maximum belt velocity. As belt speed approaches and exceeds 5000 feet per minute, the tension is increased and centrifugal force tends to stretch the belts and throw them away from the grooves. This lessens the effective arc of contact on the sheaves and an appreciable part of the traction effect is lost. Safety is another consideration. Most cast iron sheaves are constructed to withstand safely a rim



speed not in excess of 5000 feet per minute. While special drives are sometimes constructed for use at lower or lighter speeds, it is best to stay within the recommended limits on the average

From this it can be seen that belt velocity and sheave diameters are opposite sides of the same coin. One depends to a large extent upon the other. Sheave diameters should be large enough to insure good belt life, vet not so large as to produce excessive belt velocity. Larger diameter sheaves sometimes permit the use of fewer belts on a drive. This not only reflects a saving on both the original cost and replacements, but actually lowers initial cost of the complete drive. Part of the saving is effected in the lower cost of the sheaves. Because of machining costs it is almost always true that sheaves of slightly larger diameter but with few grooves are lower in cost than sheaves of slightly smaller diameter but with more grooves.

To illustrate how larger diameter sheaves affect the horsepower-transmitting capacity of a drive, consider "D" section belts on a 13.0-inch sheave driven by a 1150-rpm motor. Each belt will have a rating of 15.3 horsepower. Used on a 14.0-inch sheave each belt would have a rating of 17.9, or 2.6 horsepower more for each belt. On the first drive eight belts have a total rating of 122 horsepower, while on the second drive only seven belts have a total of 125 hp. The second drive not only has a greater total hp-transmitting capacity and is a better engineered drive, but is actually lower in price.

Similarly, on certain drives, a fewer

number of larger section belts on larger diameter sheaves often have equal or greater hp-transmitting capacity than a greater number of smaller belts on smaller diameter sheaves. Where this is true, the drive with the larger belt section is often preferable from an engineering standpoint and, in many cases, is also lower in first cost.

#### **Drives Offset Operating Conditions**

The arc of contact of the belts on sheaves must be taken into account when determining the actual horsepower-transmitting capacity of each belt of the drive. Horsepower ratings for the different section V-belts 're based on a 180-degree arc of contact. If one sheave is smaller than the other, the belt will have less than 180 degrees contact on it and, consequently, will have less hp-transmitting capacity. How much less can be calculated easily from the formula for finding effective are of contact appearing in any V-belt catalog. For example: the hp rating of a B section belt at a velocity of 4000 ft/min on a 5.4-inch sheave at 180 degrees are of contact is 4.0. The formula shows that the same sheave with 150-degree arc of contact has only .92 effectiveness or .92×4.0=3.68 hp per belt. With the exception of 1:1 ratio drives, one sheave of every V-belt drive is smaller than its companion sheave and will have less than 180degree arc of contact. This fact should always be considered in calculating the total horsepower-transmitting capacity of the drive.

It is well to know the conditions under which a drive will operate and, if these are abnormal in any way, parts can be selected which are especially designed to solve the problem. Designers have long been aware of the varying conditions of operation and have designed and engineered the several parts of the drive to best meet the various needs. This is particularly true of the V-belts themselves. If the drive must operate where explosive hazards exist, belts are available with the cover impregnated with a static-conducting material. Such covers tend to conduct any static charge to the motor or the driven-unit frame where it can bleed to ground. The frictional contact of any belt on a pulley or sheave may generate static electricity which, if allowed to build up, might cause a spark. Use of static-conducting V-belts reduces this hazard by bleeding off the static.

If space limitations or other factors require the use of higher than ordinary horsepower capacity per belt, regular high capacity belts are available. These have a hp-transmitting capacity of 40% more than standard belts, but usually have a higher cost as well. Steel cable belts with a minimum amount of stretch are often advantageous on a fixed center drive. If the drive must operate in an oil atmosphere or is subject to contact with oil or grease, special oil-resisting or oil-proof belts should be used. Though higher in first cost, the selection of parts which have been especially designed to meet unusual operating conditions may conceivably double or triple the useful life of the drive.

If in doubt on any point it is well to consult engineers especially trained in all phases of V-belt application. The convenient tables appearing in standard catalogs and handbooks are usually for average conditions.

# Basic Rules for INDUSTRIAL

- Design the system within the limitations of the supply.
- Locate the supply as near as possible to the plant electrical load center.
- 3. Know the requirements of the load.
- Let the requirements of the processes, production and the relative importance of the six major characteristics determine the type of distribution system.
- Select and arrange feeders and equipment so that interruptions never occur more than the process will allow.

- Select all components from the source to the load for reasonable future growth.
- Don't be limited by N E Code figures for conductors, conduit and protection which are minimum and primarily for safety.
- 8. Use load centers when feasible.
- Select the cable construction with the best all-around characteristics to meet your conditions.
- Let your ultimate goal always be production efficiency, quality and safety.

AN industrial plant is only as good as its electrical distribution system. The electrical distribution system is only as good as the contractor makes it. Ordinarily, the contractor can convince the owners that a good job is the best; but if the initial investment looks high, remind them of these three things:

 Over a period of years, the better quality of service, greater flexibility, reliability and decreased operating and maintenance costs will more than pay for the higher-than-expected initial cost.

2. In a short time, freedom from troubles, and from further expense for remodeling, etc., will prove your contention for quality.

 Most important, production will get ahead with the least delays, even with major changes in plant arrangement.

This and succeeding articles discuss some of the important features of industrial distribution systems applying to both small and large plants.

A well-planned distribution system is not necessarily more expensive than a haphazard layout of conduits, cables and equipment. In most instances a well designed system costs less than a poor one. One point should be emphasized in particular: layout of physical arrangement of circuits is one of the most difficult problems for the contractor. In planning an adequate system certain features or requirements will be of more consequence in one plant than in another. Careful analysis is required. Equipment manufacturers

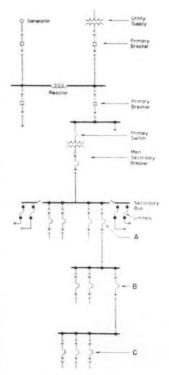
render a considerable amount of competent engineering service but their services are limited usually to the products they sell. In that respect they are well-qualified but a distribution system must contain equipment from many manufacturers and to coordinate the properties to best advantage requires skill, planning and sound engineering. If this experience is not available it is advisable to obtain outside services.

#### Distribution

Distribution systems for small or large plants may be chosen from about a dozen arrangements and combination arrangements, all good, all having a field of application and all essentially one or more of 4 elements: primaries. secondaries, and radial- and networktype circuits. Fig. 2 shows 9 of these in simplified form, much switching and protection omitted. Two others not shown are the simple network, and the primary selective spot network. As readily seen from Fig. 2, the radial system is primarily a one-source feed; the network system primarily a choice of two or more feeds, accomplished with primaries or secondaries in either

Secondary distribution has been at one or more of these voltages 575, 440, 220 or 110, nominal rating. In later years these have been superseded except to a large extent in small plants by 480 or 600 volts. One reason is that transformer and switchgear equipment at these voltages now is standard and most economical per kva. Another is that more utilization can be obtained

Fig. 1. TYPICAL FEEDER LAYOUT



# WIRING DESIGN-1

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Anaconda Wire and Cable Co.

with 600 volt insulation on wire and cable, the first and lowest step in insulation rating.

#### Nine Systems Compared

From a large number of studies of system designs and cost comparisons, the ratings in Table I have been assigned to six major characteristics. These should be of help in deciding on what system to use for a normal plant.

It is evident from Table I, none of the basic systems is outstanding. This is logical because there is no perfect system and no normal plant. Load characteristics and plant requirements vary from a so-called normal. Assistance in selecting the best system for your job may be obtained by using weighted values for each of six characteristics. By changing weighting factors to suit the individual plant, the combined merits of the systems can be rated.

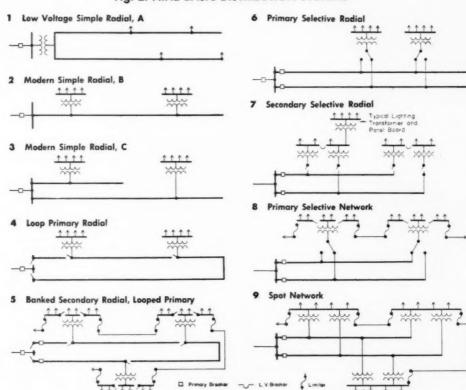
Below are representative values for analysis which may be changed to suit the job; for example, if service dependability is of prime importance, select a value higher than 2 and substitute. The overall ratings should narrow the selection to two or three systems. Knowing the load requirements, it should then be possible to select the best to meet your needs.

System Characteristic	Repre- sentative Weighting Factors
Flexibility	3
Regulation	1
Service Dependability	2
Operation and Maintenance	
Cost	1
Efficiency	1
Initial Cost.	6

Safety should not require a weighting factor; it should be built in for any system.

Many plants employed the simple radial system (still good under some

#### Fig. 2. NINE BASIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS



### TABLE I. COMPARISON OF SYSTEM CHARACTERISTICS

System Type Fig. 2	Flexibility	Service Dependability	Regulation	Efficiency	Operation & Maintenance Cost	Initial Cost
			Gro	ding		
1	3	5	6	5	1	4
2	6	6	4	3	1	1
2	4	5	4	3	1	3
4	4	5	4	2	1	1
5	1	3	2	1	2	4
6	4	4	4	2	1	2
7	4	2	2	4	4	4
8	1	1	2	1	3	4
9	3	1	1	4	4	5

Key to Grading Figures: 1, 91-100%; 2, 81-90%; 3, 71-80%; 4, 61-70%; 5, 51-60%; 6, 41-50%

conditions) at secondary or utilization voltage, 115 to 600 volts, with comparatively long feeders direct from the main switchboard. With increased load and larger plants, it was necessary to seek more suitable arrangements with less bulky cables, better regulation, better flexibility, reliability etc. Out of this grew the present accelerated trend to load or power centers, whose chief characteristic is that they are situated close to the load, with comparatively long feeders at primary voltage and short branch feeders at secondary voltage. Such are shown in unit arangements 2 to 9 inclusive,

So-called units to fit most needs are

#### TABLE II, TRANSFORMER APPLICATION\*\*

		Transforme	er Type	
Characteristics	Dry	Nitrogen-Cooled Dry	Askarel- Filled	Oil- Filled
Impulse-level rating	low	low	high	high
Suitable for lightning locations	no	no	yes	yes
indoor	primarily	yes	yes	yes
outdoor "	-	yes	yes	yes
balconies	yes+§	† §	yes§	8
dusty "	no	yes	yes	yes
semi-hazardous	no	yes	yes	no
primary substations	-	_	yes	yes
Inflammable	minor	no	no	yes
Tank sealed	no	yes	yes	yes
Insulation class	8	B, N	A	A
Code Restrictions	minor	few	minor	some
Affected by moisture	yes	no	по	no
dirt	yes	no	no	no
most corrosive conditions	some	no	no	no
Weight	lightest	heavy	heavy	heavy
Needs vault indoors	no	no	no	yes
Available with radiators, forced-				
air or water cooling	no	no	yes	yes
Natural air cooling Needs ventilating provisions	yes	yes	yes some*	yes
Maintenance needed for	dust	nitrogen	askarel	oil

<sup>†</sup>Noise is a factor

\*\*Note: Abstracted from contributions to current literature by several transformer manufacturers.

available in metal-enclosed package form, prefabricated, sectionalized and with little to do after arrival besides connecting them to incoming and outgoing lines. They can be located on the production floor without special enclosure. In addition to the above,

their use is popular for several

SWeight is a factor

1. Air-cooled or noninflammableliquid-cooled transformers for power and lighting, reducing fire hazard.

2. All-metal enclosure is safe for personnel, excludes dirt.

#### EIGHT WIRING PRINCIPLES

- Specialized engineering knowledge and experience plus a knowledge of production requirements are necessary for planning the physical arrangement of circuits.
- Arrange circuits so it is easy to trace them and find troubles.
- 3. The neatest-looking design usually is the best.
- Avoid physical, electrical and thermal "bottlenecks" in all cases.
- Install feeders and branch circuits so the delivered voltage to a device always is equal to or slightly greater than its voltage rating.
- Allow a portion of the total permissible voltage drop in each section of the circuit from supply to load; viz, feeder, transformer, secondary; select conductor sizes to fit.
- 7. Observe the Six Cardinal Points in selecting cable.
- 8. Standardize on a few cable sizes.

#### DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM CHARACTERISTICS

**FLEXIBILITY**—adaptability to change in process and load with a minimum of expense and service interruption.

**REGULATION**—uniformity of voltage at various points under changes in load or suddenly-applied loads.

SERVICE DEPENDABILITY—how well the system can withstand unusual conditions and maintain production with a minimum of load dropped.

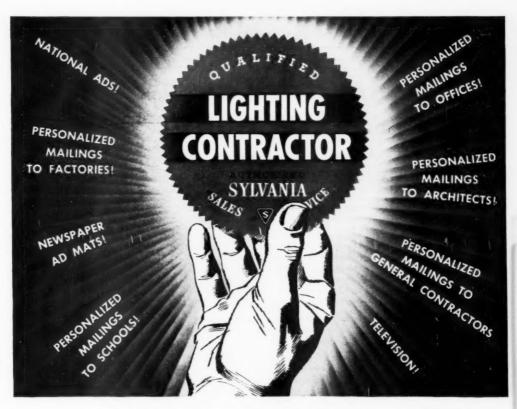
**OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE COST**—ability to keep the system in order at a minimum expense.

**EFFICIENCY**—the overall picture from supply to load devices, under all load conditions.

INITIAL COST—actual cost of all equipment and installation.

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#### TABLE III, HINTS ON SWITCHGEAR APPLICATION\*

Primary breakers (Similar to main substation breakers)	Advantageous for automatic relaying and for remote control
	Use less expensive types if reliability is secured by secondary tie feeders or loops
	Oil- or askarel-filled breakers on liquid-cooled transformers
	Air breakers on air-cooled transformers
	Interrupting requirements similar to those of main sub- station breakers may be reduced by impedance of long feeders
	Primary switches should preferably be interlocked with secondary breakers so they do not interrupt load cur- rents and cannot close on loaded secondary circuits
	When primary fused switches are used, the fuse should be selected to have a low enough rating to protect the transformer but with enough time delay not to open on secondary feeder faults before secondary breakers open.
Secondary breakers (Such as main breakers, main feeder	See N E Code requirements, Tables 20, 26, 27, for over- current protection for motors
breakers, tie breakers, network pro- tector)	Generally in 2 classes: 1, large air circuit breakers or 2, malded-case breakers with the two having overlapping ratings; 1—Preferred in load center units
	2—Usually with thermal trips, sometimes in the smallest substations, more usually in branch circuits
Oil circuit breakers	Still best for higher voltages and high interrupting capacities; mostly used at 13.8 kv and higher; being replaced below 13.8 kv for normal conditions
Air circuit breakers	Being used more and more in industrial plants; safer, less maintenance; trend is to higher voltages; standard air breakers now available to 13.8 kv operating voltage (138 kv in Europe) and 250 mva interrupting capacity; for low-voltage (600v and lower) classes, up to 75 mva.
Oil cutouts	Trend away from these in some load centers; delay in restoring service
Air-filled junction box with current- limiting fuses or oil cutouts	Preferable to oil cutouts; for high-voltage side of load center, for circuit protection and disconnecting
Current-limiting fuses	Made to standard NEC fuse dimensions; have interrupt- ing capacity ratings 150 to 500 mva; inherently fast (less than 2 cycles), just the performance needed for branch circuits where current over 10 X normal indicates fault to be isolated before feeder breakers open; not adjustable
NEC fuses	Do not carry interrupting capacity ratings; up to 200- amp size on a motor circuit, will handle short-circuit amperes of 50,000; for branch : .uit and individual equipment protection; not adjustable

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Abstracted from contributions to current literature by several switchgear manufacturers.

3. Adequate built-in, coordinated circuit protection reduces troubles, helps restore service quickly.

4. Easy to move to another location when production requirements dictate it

Obtain more details from the equipment manufacturers.

#### Growth

Rule 6 is much more easily met by allowing a normal recommendation of 25% for immediate additions and depending on the flexibility of the layout for longer-range additions; such as installing a single-ended substation or load center for present loads and, when justified, adding another transformer and additional secondary feeders with switchgear, to make it double-ended. Several of the nine circuit layouts, Fig. 2, permit of developing necessary flexibility and other requirements necessary to the process.

#### **Ducts and Conduits**

In industrial plants, conduit construction is often the largest footage used inside buildings. When feeders must be carried between buildings, underground installations can be considered to be best for both primary and secondaries for these reasons:

- Accident hazards are reduced to a minimum.
- 2. Ambient temperature is lowest and cable capacities are highest.
- Cables are not in the way if it is necessary to make changes above ground.

The cost of underground construction is not always justified under these conditions:

- 1. Unsuitable soil conditions.
- Destructive chemical ingredients in the soil.
- Imminent major changes in plant layout.

For underground ducts, fibre conduit encased in concrete is most popular. Under light traffic and the weight of the duct line comparatively moderate, little concrete is needed and the top of the conduits need not be more than 12 to 18 inches below the surface, somewhat lower in cold climates.

In stretches where traffic is heavy, it is necessary to lay the conduit deeper, possibly to reinforce the concrete with steel.

All conduit runs should be laid so they will drain throughout the run (cables are always safer in dry ducts); never use loops and avoid vertical U-turns as much as possible.

Straight runs are always preferable: where bends are necessary make them

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with a long radius especially when large cable is involved. Standard bends of steel conduit are hardly ever of sufficient radius for heavy cable because they were designed for small wires.

#### Power Loads

Large motors, heating and furnace loads usually are treated separately. Because of their size and importance, detailed data usually are available. Smaller and mixed loads require more careful study. Demand factors used in computing demand of these large loads are not subject to generalization; if dominant, may require 100%. The larger the group, the lower the combined demand; conversely, the smaller the group (one motor is the extreme). the higher the demand factor. A single motor or a small group may require a system based on 100% demand factor; when combined with other loads and measured at the main substation, usually will require an entirely different and lower demand factor. This means: demand factors vary with the number of units in the load group; demand factor for the entire plant is lower than the weighted-average demand factors of all the load groups.

A way of estimating loads for miscellaneous motors found in most plants is on the basis of average size motor per machine or voltamperes per square foot. These methods are most accurate in production-line plants where many machines of the same type and size are set up in rows. Where sizes vary widely, or use is intermittent, the lower values in Table below are suggested; for intensive production, repetitive processes or automatic machines, the higher values.

#### TABLE OF TYPICAL LOAD DENSITIES

Type	Load
Load	Density
	voltampere per square foot
Lighting and Power	7 to 30
Lighting.	2 to 8
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A listing of the magnitude and type of all connected load is an essential prerequisite to the final determination of the kva demand for the total plant as well as for each part of the distribution system. By applying certain factors to the connected load, the demand can be estimated with a fair degree of accuracy.

#### Demand

Demand factor, diversity factor and load factor all affect the distribution systems. Demand factor is the ratio of the maximum demand of a system, or part of a system, to the total connected load of the system, or part of the system under consideration. Diversity factor is the ratio of the sum of the individual maximum demands of the various subdivisions of a system, or part of a system, to the maximum demand of the whole system, or part under consideration.

#### Load factor

Load factor, which is the ratio of the average load over a designated period of time to the peak load occurring in that period, is much less important than are demand factor and diversity factor in the selection and design of a plant distribution system.

It is used more for determination of system losses and conductor size for primary and main feeders; not for branch feeders where other considerations control; such as starting requirements and N E Code limits. Daily load factor, expressed in percent, is obtained by taking the average of the sum of the square of the loads for each 24 hours and then taking the ratio of that average to the 1-hour peak load. It affects cable size because of the total amount of heat to be dissipated. For a load factor of, say, 80%, only 62.5% of the heat of a 100% load factor case must be dissipated; therefore, you may be able to buy a smaller cable at less cost and save on conduit, labor, freight, etc., all the way along. Do not, however, reduce the conductor size below that necessary for prescribed regulation.

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ample, the sum of the connected loads to be fed over a branch load circuit. multiplied by the demand factor of these loads, will give the maximum demand which the branch circuit must carry. The sum of the maximum demands of the branch circuits associated with a sub-load center or panelboard divided by the diversity factor of those branch circuits will give the maximum demand at the sub-load center and on the load circuits supplying it. The sum of the maximum demands of the load circuits radiating from a load center, divided by the diversity factor of those load circuits, will give the maximum demand on the transformer at the load center. The sum of the maximum demands of the load center transformers divided by the diversity factor of the transformer loads will give the maximum demand on their primary feeder. Thus it is seen that by the use of the proper demand and diversity factors as outlined above the maximum demands on the various parts of the system from the branch load circuits to the power source, inclusive, can be determined.

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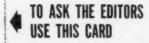
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#### Transformers (2

An improved line of indoor and outdoor potential transformers in the 2400 volt class, types PT and PTO, is available. A new crepe paper insulation that is vacuum dried and impregnated has a high impulse and dielectric strength, and a low insulation power factor. Available in either 45 or 60 ky fullwave impulse test level, the new transformers meet the 0.3W, 0.3X, 0.3Y, and 1.2Z metering accuracy classifications. Type C Hipersil cores are used. Transformer is mounted in a singlepiece, deep-drawn steel case with a welded-on base. It utilizes a no-leak filling plug, and new HV bushings mounted without bushing flanges. Single and double HV bushing combinations are available on the cover or at the end of the case. Cover-mounted bushings only can be supplied either with or without type BAL high voltage fuses. Type PTO, outdoor, is available with cover-mounted bushings only, without fuses. Both type PT and PTO can be mounted in any position.

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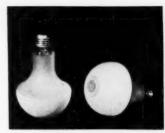


Cable Cutter

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A feature of this new cable cutter is the heart-shaped design of opening between jaws, which results in clean true cuts. Designated as Catalog No. 365, it is equally well adapted to bare or insulated copper or aluminum cables up to 500,000 CM. Tool accommodates outside insulation diameters up to oneand-a-half-inches. It is especially suitable for preparing cable ends for insertion in precision type fittings. The heart-shaped opening progressively decreases the effort required, since it forces cable in toward the fulcrum as more strands are cut. Stops on handle maintain a minimum opening of three inches to prevent barking of knuckles.

Thomas & Betts Co., Inc., 34 Butler St., Elizabeth, N. J.



Lamp Bulb

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A new 100-watt lamp bulb for use in homes, apartments, hotels, restaurants, and clubs. It is a larger companion of the "50-GA" bulb with the built-in shade. The new style of bulb has a bowl which directs two-thirds of light upward to ceiling. The lower portion of the bowl is covered with a soft-toned, permanent enamel finish which filters and mellows the one-third of light directed downward. The new bulb, designated 100-GA, is approximately 3½ inches in diameter at the widest point, and has a maximum overall length of 6½ inches.

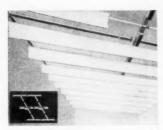
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#### Lighting System

The new "Grid-Lite" lighting system utilizes a "grid" like arrangement of pre-wired channels, single-pin T12 slimline lamps and translucent shields. Because of the translucent plastic shields, which are suspended between each row of lamps, "Grid-Lite" is said to reduce system brightnesses. Such lighting is recommended for school classrooms, stores, offices, drafting rooms, and similar locations. Channels coupled one-to-another by means of a new type of built-in coupling device. Wiring consists of bringing circuit wiring into one of the knockouts provided in the sides of the outer channels. Systems can be ordered in a variety of sub-assembly, "Unit-Package" sections. Combinations of these can be laid out to fit rooms of many sizes and shapes. Systems are designed for surface-mounting installations against flat ceilings of any common material, such as plaster, wood, concrete, etc. Channel system consists of three types of channels: (1) A center or ballast channel with lampholders for one end of the lamps, (2) an outer channel with the lampholders for the other end of the lamps and (3) several spacer channels which regulate the distance between center and outer channels for lamp accommodations. All channels and covers are formed of 20-gauge steel, finished in baked, white enamel. "Intra-lok" design locks channels end-toend without need for couplings. "Grid-Lite" systems are available with 425 ma ballasts. Also available with 200 ma ballasts, which give a lower lamp brightness and footcandle level. 48 inch, 72 inch or 96 inch T12 slimline lamps may be used.

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Dow Corning Corporation, Midland, Mich.



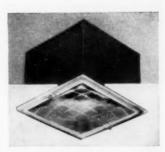
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Capacitors (9

A newly-designed line of capacitors with reductions in size and cost has been developed for electronic applications. They are 20% to 30% smaller in size. Basic construction of the drawn-oval capacitors is essentially the same as that of standard commercial types of fixed paper dielectric capacitors. Ratings of the new units are 2.0 muf, to 10.0 muf, 600 to 1,500 volts de and 330 to 660 volts ac.

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A low brightness recessed incandescent luminaire, No. F-1570. This lighting unit features a larger lens and a narrower trim. The "optical train" in No. F-1570 consists of a square prismatic reflector and a concave Controlens, which is always on the near side of the lens and thereby shielded from the observer at any normal viewing angle. Its shape facilitates better transmission of both direct and reflected light resulting in unusually high output. Cooperating with the lens and completing the optical combination is a square reflector with a dome shaped top section containing an opening for the side entrance of the lamp. Incandescent In-Bilt lighting systems are for use in schools, banks, private offices, stores, hospitals and public buildings.

Holophane Company, Inc., 342 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y.



Fuses (11)

Heat dissipating fins have been added as a new design feature on several sizes of the Monarch line of renewable knife blade type fuses. Six of these large area, brass fins are incorporated in the design—three spaced equally along each end of the fibre bar support. Because of the increased heat transfer surface, the interior of the fuses remain cooler. The fins perform the additional functions of keeping the heat away from the fibre bar. They also give support to the fibre bar. This design is incorporated in the 600 amp, 250 volt and 400 and 600 amp, 600 volt fuses.

Monarch Fuse Company, I.td., Jamestown, N. V.



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Fluorescent Fixture

(12)

"Surf-A-Lite", a surface mounted fluorescent fixture, has been announced. Styrene plastic louvers and a metal reflector plate can be removed for pendant mounting. Fixture features the "Spring-a-matic" louver action. Through the use of two hidden springs, which hold the louver in place, all screws, bolts and other chemical devices have been eliminated. For cleaning or relamping, a slight pressure opens the louver. Side panels are available in metal or translucent Luxtrex Styrene plastic. Unit features 45° -37° shielding and is available in four or two lamp, 40- and 20-watt models for individual or continuous mounting. Also in 4-, 6- and 8-feet slimline models. All models can be used for pendant or surface mounting.

Electro Mfg. Corp., 2000 W. Fulton St., Chicago 12, Ill.



Tool

(13)

A multi-purpose mechanical pressure tool, designated as Model 51A Standard "Dril-Jak". It is 34½ inches long over all; motor clamp attachment fits any standard drill motor with ½-inch or larger capacity for drilling; coupling attachment has ½-inch female thread to fit motors having removable handles; extension pipes with adapters to reach 25 feet; weight 9½ pounds. It is for drilling in confined places or places where it is difficult for one operator to

maintain drill alignment. Jack pressures permit easy drilling in metal. concrete, wood, mortar, brick, tile, stone, etc. Used also for lifting, bracing, shoring, pushing, pulling, stretching, weld positioning, etc.

Time Saver Tool Co., Inc., 2103 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland 14, Ohio

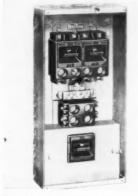


#### Connector

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The 7084 double T-slot cord grip connector body has been redesigned. Some of the features are: black bakelite body has easy-find slots; extra thick steel armored section and cord grips are bright zinc plates to resist corrosion; long life contacts are accurately positioned and have spring at base, far removed from arcing point; tapered wireways and large binding screws. This device has 1 to 1 inch cord hole and is rated 15 amps, 125 volts; 10 amps, 250 volts.

Pass & Seymour, Inc., Syracuse 9, N. Y.



#### Service Equipment

(15)

A new 100 ampere combination service equipment for special water heater rates has been announced. Many utilities have initiated plans requiring a separate feed and may require that the circuit be sealed from other portions of the entrance equipment. With the new equipment, a sealable barrier fits under the standard trim and prohibits any change or unauthorized circuits being added to the low rate loads. Devices are furnished with parallel range and main pullouts for 3-wire, 220 volt circuits and either 4, 6 or 8 plug fuse, 2-wire, 110 volt circuits. These are in



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#### JEFFERSON ELECTRIC COMPANY, Bellwood, Illinois In Canada: Canadian Jefferson Electric Co., Ltd., 384 Pape Ave., Toronto, Ont

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addition to the independent and sealed 3-wire, 220 volt circuits. For the conventional application, the independent circuit may be rewired into the 60 ampere bus tap and the barrier omitted. Similar units, with conventional bussing and pullouts for range, waterheater and main, are available with either 4, 6 or 8 plug fuse circuits. Other units are equipped with 100 ampere main pullout which controls range, waterheater and up to 16 plug fuse circuits.

Square D Company, 6060 Rivard St., Detroit 11, Mich.



#### Commercial Fixture

A new line of open type commercial fixtures featuring turret sockets. Designated the "Chieftain" series, they are available in 2 and 3 lamp 48, 60 and 96 inch conventional and 48, 72 and 96 inch slimline. Fixtures are finished to provide resistance to oxidation in installations where extreme humidity or other adverse conditions prevail. There are no welded parts. Components are approved ballasts, starters and turret sockets. Units are adaptable to all types of mounting. End piece may be removed and channel coupler added to provide an open wireway any length, Knockouts are provided for continuous row mounting where open wireway is not required.

Gibson Manufacturing Co., Atlanta,

(17)

#### Service Station Lights

A new line of weatherproof continuous horizontal fluorescent "T" lights for service stations has been announced. The line consists of two basic 30 inch wide fixtures-one 4-ft in length, the other 8-ft. They are designed to be installed separately or with a coupling device, using various combinations to form continuous rows in lengths of 12 ft, 16 ft, 20 ft, 24 ft, etc., to meet the requirements of any size island. Units can be fitted to existing poles, or come equipped with specially designed 9-ft or 12-ft tapered octagon standards. They are furnished complete with slimline fluorescent



lamps, wired ready for installation, and listed by Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. for outdoor use. Extruded aluminum glass frames have airplane type cowl latches. Knockouts are provided in bottom plate to permit a variety of mounting centers, and in cover plate for installation of spot or flood lampholders.

Guardian Light Company, 301 Lake St., Oak Park, Ill.



#### Locking Plug

(18)

"Cor-Lock" is the name of a new heavy-duty locking plug. Waterproof, shock-resistant jointure is achieved by molded rubber construction. Approved by Underwriters' Laboratories for 20 amp at 250 volt, and 10 amp at 575 volts. Available in these flexible cord sizes: 18-3 and 16-3 SJ; 18-3, 16-3, 14-3 and 12-3 in S, SO and SJO hardservice coverings.

Cornish Wire Co., Inc., 50 Church St., New York 7, N. Y.

#### (19)**Conduit Fittings**

A new series of conduit fittings for hazardous areas, Class I, Groups A and B. Designed primarily to meet the need for conduit systems in these locations, the fittings also meet the requirements for all other hazardous locations. Fittings are made of aluminum alloy and are available in sizes of 1 in, 1 in, and 1 in in the basic shapes of straight. Tee and X. Approved by Underwriters' Laboratories. Hazardous Area Equipment Corp.,

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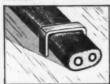
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Floodlight Fixture

(20)

A new portable spot or floodlight fixture designed for use in any porcelain ceiling receptacle and with swiveling devices. Known as the Silver-spot adapter, the unit makes use of the new 100-watt A-21 silvered-bowl lamp. It is suitable to a wide variety of display and accent lighting uses in stores, specialty shops, restaurants, clubs, and similar commercial interiors. Equipped with a porcelain "screw-in" base, it can be used in any existing porcelain receptacle in ceilings for downlight or in walls for side lighting effects. When used in conjunction with portable base, clamp-on, screw-in, or box plate swiveling adapter fittings, the adapter is adjustable to many directional lighting applications. Unit consists of a porcelain adapter receptacle, aluminum reflector and concentric louver. Silvray Lighting, Inc., 100 West

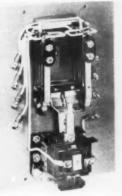
Main St., Bound Brook, N. J.



Switch

(21)

A snap-action switch designed for high-precision performance in cam actuated service. It has the capacity to make or break steady state currents of 20 amperes and to handle inrush currents as high as 75 amperes. The new design has a roller plunger actuator adapted to operation by cams with a rise of up to 30°. Plunger assembly can be turned to any position necessary to align its roller with the direction of cam approach. A nut is then tightened down, clamping plunger assembly in position. The aluminum enclosure is designed to protect the basic switch against damage from vibration and shock, and the cover is sealed against dust, dirt, oil and moisture. There are three 4 inch holes in a flange at the back of enclosure for mounting. Underwriters' Laboratories list these switches as 1 hp, 115 volts ac; 14 hp, 230 volts ac; 20 amp, 125, 250, or 460 volts ac; 10 amp, 125 volts ac "L"; ½ amp, 125 volts dc; 1 amp, 250 volts dc. Micro Switch, Freeport, Illinois



#### **Alternators**

Autocon alternators automatically transpose starting sequence of any two pumps, compressors, blowers, burners, or units controlled by magnetic starters or two wire circuits. They also provide locked-in stand-by protection against a failure of the operating equipment, against failure of the pilot device, and against failure of the alternator unit itself. They are used in sewage systems, industrial processing systems, manufacturing plants, oil refineries, etc. They are designed for quick and easy installation. Connect pilot devices to the clearly numbered terminals and the unit is ready for operation. Conveniently located knockouts and conduits provide ready access to all terminals. They can be built in as integral parts of all Autocon multi-pump liquid level and pressure control panels.

Automatic Control Company, St. Paul 4. Minn.

#### Time Switches (23)

The Inter-Matic time switch line now includes Series TS66 "Skipper" time switches. They are designed for control applications where it is desired to skip operation of time switch on Saturdays, Sundays, holidays, or other selected days. Operation of switch can be skipped on one or more days of the week. Available in single pole, double pole, and double throw models. A special model, with separate terminals for connecting the timing motor, is provided for independent switching.



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International Register Company, 2624 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago



#### Rheostat

The new version of type A-25 rheostat (25 watt) is built to withstand rugged treatment under the most adverse conditions. It has an added safety factor by the use of high temperature gray enamel. The terminals made of a corrosion resistant alloy are permanently welded to the winding form. Wire is wound on a toroidal ceramic form and the wire to terminal is securely bonded to eliminate connections. The wound ring is made an integral part of the refractory base by vitreous enamel. The actuating arm, made of phosphor bronze to which is attached a graphite brush, gives smooth action with electrical control. Shafts are insulated from all live parts by means of a shaft insulator.

Hardwick, Hindle, Inc., Newark 5,

#### Rectifiers

(25)

A new line of high powered, oil immersed, selenium rectifiers, designed especially for electrolytic and electrochemical applications. Transformers and rectifier stacks are completely sealed in oil, therefore free from deterioration caused by corrosive atmosphere. Unit operates three 40 kw electrolytic melting furnaces. It has an output of 3000 amps with voltage adjustable from 10 to 40 volts. Dimensions are 78 inches high, 84 inches long, and 29 inches deep. Other sizes in different voltage and current combinations are available.

Electronic Rectifier Company, Rochester. N. Y.



#### Resistors

New miniature power type resistors with axial leads, called Axiohm. They are designed for use in radio, electronic and other equipment where space saving and minimum assembly costs are essential. They are made with special alloy resistance wire of low temperature coefficient of resistivity wound on tough miniature ceramic cores. Entire assembly is encased in Vitrohm enamel forming a hard, heat conducting hermetic seal. Resistors are available in 5 and 10 watt sizes. A wide range of resistance values is available. Standard resistance tolerance is plus or minus 5%.

Ward Leonard Electric Co., Mount Vernon, N. Y.



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McGILL Manufacturing Co., Inc., 450 N. Campbell St., Valparaise, Indiana

automatic trickle charger. Model 2ATW, provided instant automatic floodlighting for a minimum of four hours in the event of regular lighting power failure. The new, two-head Big Beam has been designed for use in theaters, public buildings, etc. An enciosed relay automatically turns emergency lights "on" when regular current fails, and "off" when current is restored. Power is furnished by a 3-cell, 22-ampere-hour capacity, spillproof storage battery with built-in specific gravity indicators.

U-C Lite Manufacturing Co., 1050 West Hubbard St., Chicago 22, Ill.



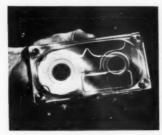
Motor (28)

This new motor features a short overall length and is suited to applications requiring a totally enclosed, air cooled unit with a flat design. It is available in ratings from 1/20th through 5 hp and in speeds from 450 to 3,600 rpm-single phase or polyphase. Frame design permits mounting (1) by means of "ears", (2) drilled and tapped holes in endbells, or (3) by any other special requirement of the user. Can also be mounted in any position, shaft up or down. When mounted in this manner, fan can be connected directly to motor's output shaft, eliminating usual pulleys, belts, brackets and fan shaft. They are available in a wide number of frame sizes.

Reuland Electric Company, Alhambra, Calif.

#### Recorder (29)

A new pocket-sized recorder makes possible monitoring and obtaining definite information in many fields where never before possible. Recorders can be set up to cover the variable factors in traffic, time and motion study, punch press operation, opening and closing of doors or windows, duration of current flow, stresses and strains, cash register history, etc. It records on a new supersensitive direct recording paper known as Alfax. Plug recorder into a 110 volt source, connect with a microswitch to whatever you wish to monitor and you get a permanent



record of two actions plus the time the action took place. Magazine is light weight and compact. Basically the recorder is made up of the magazine and driving unit. Magazine is self-contained, consisting of recording electrodes, timing switch and paper reels. Driving unit contains a synchronous motor with a pinion gear to engage and drive one of the paper reels.

Alden Electronic and Impulse Recording Equipment Co., Westboro, Mass.



#### Pressure Fan

(30)

A heavy duty belt driven fan for industrial applications, duet work, mine exhaust systems and filtering units where large volume of air is required under static pressure. It is equipped with non-overloading cast aluminum airfoil type propellers. These units are completely ball bearing and motors are totally enclosed. Units available in sizes from 24 inches to 48 inches and air deliveries from 5,000 to 28,000 cubic feet per minute.

Chelsea Fan & Blower Co., Inc., Plainfield, N. J.

#### Tester

(31)

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Columbia Technical Corporation, 5 East 57th St., New York 22, N. Y.



**Pushbuttons** 

(32)A number of advanced design features are incorporated in a new line of oil-tight pushbutton units for machine tool applications. The units, designed completely on the building-block principle, feature "self-a-line" contacts and removable color rings for pushbutton identification, Building-block construction provides increased flexibility of application because basic units can be arranged in various combinations to meet all special as well as standard requirements. Coding of pushbuttons with the new color rings-available in brilliant, permanent shades of black. red, green, yellow, and white-is accomplished by screwing the ring onto the neutral-colored button. New "selfa-line" double-break contacts are placed at an angle so they close with a rolling action. Only one basic form of contact block is used in the new unitsa single-pole, double-throw type made of Melamine for maximum arc resistance. Double-pole, double-throw combinations are made by mounting two of these units on the same base. Although operators are mounted in

cover of enclosure, contact blocks are located on the back. Operator types available for new units include standard pushbutton, extra-long pushbutton, mushroom-head button, six forms of selector switches, two forms of combination units, padlock unit, and cylinder lock unit.

General Electric Company, Sche nectady 5, N. Y.



Voltage Booster

(33)

A new automatic voltage booster has been developed. It is designed primarily for such motor-operated appliances as refrigerators, air-conditioners, pumps, milking machines, separators, beverage dispensers, etc. It uses the "Sensivolt" voltage sensitive ac control. If line voltage drops to about 105 volts or below, booster is automatically connected into circuit. When line voltage rises to about 110 volts or more, booster is automatically disconnected. Booster plugs into regular line outlet and motor power cord into booster socket.

Sola Electric Company, 4633 West 16th Street, Chicago 50, Ill.

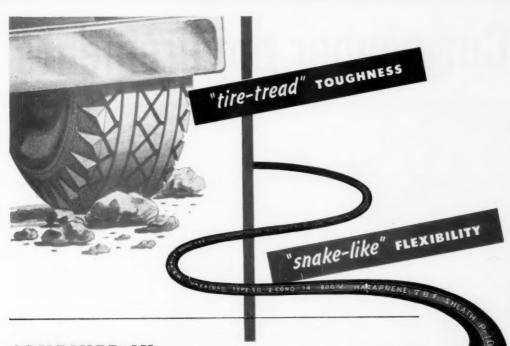
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Amperite Company, Inc., 561 Broadway, New York 12, N. Y.

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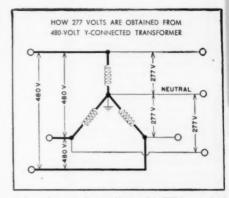
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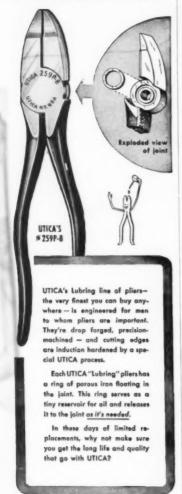
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(51) LIGHTING SPECIFICATIONS for industrial lighting units are contained in the 1952 edition of this specification, including illustrated technical data on industrial lighting equipment, tabulated coefficients of utilization, lighting distribution curves and replicas of reflector contours, wattage standards for Slimline fluorescent lamps, and new data on specifications for high bay industrial installations. RLM Standards Institute.

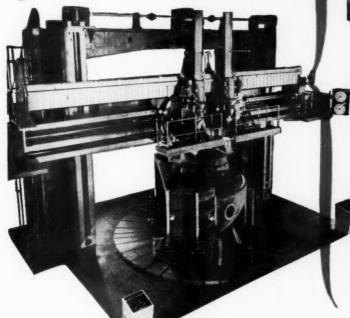
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(63) Instruction Book, 18X7692, contains illustrated detailed information on switchgear, including general data, installation, inspection and testing, operation, maintenance and repair of vertical-lift metal-clad switchgear, with installation and wiring diagrams. Allis-Chalmers Mig. Co.

(64) OUTDOOR DISCONNECTS, singlepole disconnecting switches, are illustrated and described in publication 5104, including illustrated technical data on these hook operated disconnecting switches in voltages from 7.5 to 161 kv, 600 and 1200 amperes. Delta-Star Electric Company.

(65) INSULATING PAPER is the subject of 2-color, 4-page file folder on a line of electrical insulating paper, including samples of the papers, specifications-chart and complete illustrated technical data. Cottrell Paper Co.

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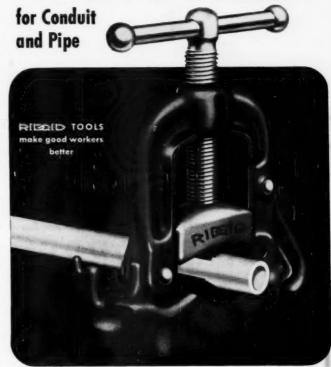
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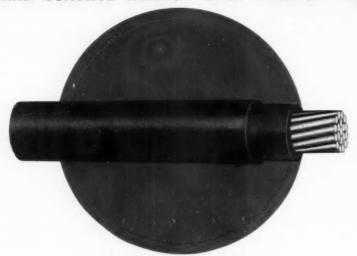
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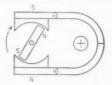
### Reader's Quiz

#### Instrument

QUESTION Q20—I have recently heard of a tong test direct current ammeter. On what principle does such an instrument operate?—W.P.R.

ANSWER TO Q20-There is available an instrument known as the Tong Test Ammeter which can be used on both alternating current and direct current. It is a split-electro-magnet type of instrument operating on the moving iron attraction principle. The magnetic circuit consists of two equal packs of iron laminations, one of which is rigidly fixed and the other pack is hinged to the frame of the instrument. The packs are mounted to form an iron core with two gaps. One gap is a butt joint of low reluctance, the other a specially shaped gap of comparatively high reluctance in which the movement operates. The movement itself is mounted between two sapphire jewel bearings. It is contained in, and is integral with a sealed bakelite housing and is fitted with an air damping chamber. A handle and a trigger mechanism are provided, by means of which the instrument can be held and operated.-L.E.G.

ANSWER TO Q20—The type of ammeter you mention operates on the principle or physical law, that when a conductor carrying a current is placed near a magnetic material such as iron, the iron is magnetized causing a North pole to be formed at one end and a South at the other. If a piece of soft steel is bent in the form of a horse shoe magnet with poles as shown in



illustration, north and south poles will be created as indicated when current is flowing in the wire. The strength of these poles will be in proportion to the current flowing in the wire. If a small permanent magnet is placed within this field and pivoted so as to rotate against the force of a hairspring, and a pointer attached to its shaft, we have an anmeter. As like poles repel and unlike poles attract, there will be

rotation in the direction indicated, and its rotation will be in proportion to the strength of magnets which is in proportion to the current flowing in the wire. As the direction of the current is not generally known, the pointer may go in the wrong direction. This can be corrected by turning the meter the other way or using a center O instrument.—A.E.T.

#### Rings on Cummutator

QUESTION R20—We have a Westinghouse generator, an old one, 150 kw, 250 volts, 600 amps, that has 3 fibre insulating rings around the commutator, one at each end and one in the center of the commutator.

There are four sets of brushes, six in a row, three on each side of the center fibre ring, but connected to-aether.

Could someone tell me why these fibre rings are on the commutator? Would it unbalance the commutator if they were removed? The commutator is hard to keep clean because of the fibre in the center.—A.F.L.

ANSWER TO R20-Commutator segments are held in position by being pinched between the V-rings at the ends of the commutator. The forces exerted by the V-rings may tend to cause a certain amount of buckling strain in the segments. When a long commutator is necessary, and more especially at high speeds, rings are placed over the commutator to resist buckling, and consequent looseness, resulting from centrifugal forces. Common practice is to shrink steel rings into place. While the designers of our older equipment were quite conservative by modern standards, in staying below the allowable working stresses of materials, one may say that the fibre rings were placed on the commutator for a purpose and should not be removed.-L.E.B.

ANSWER TO R20—I would suggest reading the nameplate to see what the voltage rating is. It may be a two winding armature with a common set of field poles. The two windings being connected in parallel for 250 volts and series for 500 volts. Whether this is true or not can be found only from

reading the nameplate, getting in touch with the manufacturer or removing the connection between both sets of brushes and taking voltage readings without load on generator. If it is a two winding armature it would not be advisable to remove the fiber rings if you ever expected to reconnect it for 500 volts as the commutator would not be properly insulated for use on 500 volts. If it is only going to be used on 250 volts it would be advisable to get a cross-sectional drawing of the generator or to communicate with the manufacturer to see if it was O.K. to remove the fiber rings for the fiber may also be used to keep the commutator from moving out of place.-E.B.

#### Electric Horn

QUESTION \$20—How could you get more volume from a 6 volt horn? I have difficulty in exceeding the noise of Diesel shovels to give a clear signal using a 6 volt electric horn. Best results so far are by mounting on top and boxing in the long trumpet-type horns.—E.S.H.

ANSWER TO S20—It is likely the volume can be increased by increasing the voltage on the horn. Check the adjustments to see that these are set for maximum volume and best tone. A higher pitched tone would be more effective in this application. Also try changing the mounting. It seems as though it would be undesirable to box in the horn—at least with rigid parts bearing against the horn itself.—R.I.S.

ANSWER TO S20—I have had plenty of trouble with jobs such as you have described in your problem. Have tried large bells, and horns where machinery interferes with the signal, even 115 volt horns are not very good unless quite an expensive type is used. I fail to understand why any factory cannot build a 115 volt horn for \$50 or \$75 that can exceed an old auto horn on a 6 volt battery. It all boils down to that very point, take an old automobile horn on a 6 volt lead storage battery, and it cannot be beaten for any ordinary price.—M.C.T.

ANSWER TO S20—It is assumed that the horn in question is operated by



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DC. If it is not, I would suggest DC operation of this horn from a DC source either from a battery or else a power unit capable of taking care of the load. If the horn is already connected to a DC source, one way of reducing voltage drop at the horn is by means of a horn relay in which the battery or DC positive lead goes directly to the relay and not to the switch which closes the circuit to give the signal. All the switch does in this circuit is to operate the relay coil and does not enter into the operation of the horn directly. In using the relay system which I have just mentioned, one end of the horn switch, the ground for the horn and the battery or DC, must be connected together. It may seem odd that the one end of the switch is also connected to the side of DC. In this case the switch merely closes the circuit to the relay coil and DOES NOT operate the horn, as I have said before. As some relays are grounded through their case it might be advisable to use a metal plate to mount the interconnected grounds, and it might be advisable to mount the relay in an accessible place so its contacts can be cleaned, adjusted and inspected at frequent intervals.-L.C.D.

#### **Testing Rectifiers**

QUESTION T20—I would like a reliable test method to determine when sections of copper oxide or selenium rectifiers are defective before complete failure occurs, or when the direct current effectiveness is being reduced.— B.C.M.

ANSWER TO T20—Check the temperature. A shorted section will be cool. Measure the DC voltage under load. It will drop as soon as a section is shorted out on condition that the line side of the rectifier has drooping characteristics. Do not overheat any dry rectifier by reducing the ventilation, or by placing it close to a steam radiator.—H.S.

ANSWER TO T20—I believe that the best method is to test the rectifier under normal operating values of AC voltage and load or, if the load varies widely, under some load that is about average. In most cases it would be possible to do this without even momentarily disconnecting the load. Readings of AC voltage and current should be taken with the load set as stated above. A record should be kept of the readings so that a comparison can be made between identical rectifiers and between readings of the same rectifier. The ampere readings should

vary about as the volts. Readings higher or lower than normal would indicate defective cells. Allowance must be made for aging. The above is for the usual load. For battery charging the AC readings would not be conclusive. In this case it would probably be best to substitute a resistor for the test.—R.I.S.

#### **Electric Clock**

QUESTION U20—How can a 15 inch electric clock be permanently repaired when it refuses to run whenever the temperature falls below 40°F? It must be necessary to make the repair without leaving the room, moving the clock or placing a miniature heater within the clock.—E.B.

ANSWER TO U20-Probably the simplest solution is to remove the movement and observe it at the temperature where it will not run, By checking the motor separately and checking the friction drive, it should be possible to pin down the source of the trouble in a short time. The chances are that some part is binding and when this part is located, it should not be difficult to increase the clearance. 40°F does not seem cold enough to cause trouble with the usual clock. One manufacturer uses different oil in their motors for low temperatures, but 40° would not be considered low enough for this .- P.S.

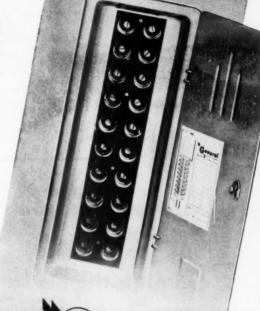
ANSWER TO U20-Evidently the lubricating oil in the sealed unit is being adversely affected by the low temperature. When the viscosity of this oil becomes too heavy, it causes the motor and gear train to run at a reduced speed and if the oil becomes too thick it will stop completely. A simple remedy is to remove this unit from the clock and file two holes in the edge spaced diametrically opposite from each other. Be careful to keep the filings out of the inside of the enclosure. When these holes are made pour all the old lubricant out. A little heat applied to the unit will cause it to flow cut freely. When all the old oil is removed close one hole with solder and refill through the remaining hole. The important part is to refill with mineral oil, also known as liquid petroleum, purchased from any drug store. When this is done close the other hole with solder and reassemble the clock. Do not allow any solder or flux to enter the inside of the housing.-H.C.S.

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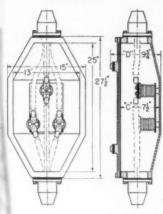
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QUESTION J21—In our plant we have a few high frequency induction heating units which, of course, use a high AC input voltage into a set of gas rectifier tubes to supply the DC

voltage for the oscillators. Now this high voltage in these circuits creates a problem as the peak AC voltage attains 15,000 volts and, if breakdown to ground occurs, we have a short-circuit as the B lead of the DC output of the rectifiers is grounded to the machine. Could anyone suggest an economical method of testing out this high voltage circuit to grounds?—E.J.K.

QUESTION K21—We have an induction pinion heater in one of our shops which is used to remove traction motor pinions on Diesel locomotives. It is wound with two parallel circuits of No. 6 wire, 86 turns in each circuit, and is used on a 440 volt, 60 cycle circuit. Inside diameter of coil is 12½ in., outside diameter 14½ in., width 6 in. We would like to know how we can compute the inductance of the coil, the current, and the number of turns required if the heater is rewound with a single No. 3 wire in place of the two No. 6 wires.—D.H.N.

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QUESTION N21—We have an old 6 volt DC automobile generator connected to an AC motor for charging 6 volt storage batteries in the shop. Usually just one battery is on charge at a time. This generator is one that had a voltage regulator in the circuit when it was used in a car, but does not have one now and so charges the battery at a high rate.

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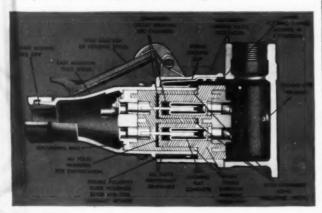
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#### Controller

Q. May a ½ hp 110 volt single phase motor use an attachment plug cap as both a disconnect and the controller?—A.B.

Under Section 4383, item c. A. you will note that a portable motor rated at 1 horsepower or less may use the attachment plug cap and receptacle as its controlling means, but inasmuch as no mention is made of a I hp. motor, it is necessary that we comply with item b. of this section, which states that the controller may be a general-use switch having an ampere rating at least twice the full-load current rating of the motor. Then in subsection e. of Section 4402 you will find that for portable motors an attachment plug cap and receptacle may serve as a disconnecting means. Therefore on a 1 hp. 110 volt single phase motor the attachment plug cap may be the disconnecting means but it is necessary that for a controller the motor must be provided with a switch having a rating at least twice the full load running current name plate rating of the motor.-G.R.

#### Common Neutral-"T" Switches

ls there any N. E. Code violation in the diagram shown below?—P.R.G.

The diagram shows two, three A . phase, four wire, wye connected, branch circuits with a common neutral, No. 12 in size, the same as the other branch circuit conductors. The use of a common neutral for multiwire branch circuits is no longer recognized by the Code for interior wiring. For outside wiring, however, Section 7312 of the Code recognizes a common neutral provided not more than eight ungrounded conductors are used and further that the neutral shall have a carrying capacity not less than twice the carrying capacity of one of the ungrounded conductors. As a result of the above you could not use a common neutral as shown for interior wiring. You could use a common neutral for branch circuits when used for outside wiring, but the neutral should be of sufficient size to carry the maximum unbalanced current. In the diagram shown, assuming Type R conductors are used and are run as single conductors, overhead between poles or structures, the neutral must be capable of carrying 50 amperes. See Table No. 2.

I also note that you intend to use a 20 ampere switch for the coptrol of a 12 ampere fluorescent lamp load, which is an inductive load. This is a violation of Section 3814c which requires a switch controlling an inductive load, to have a rating of twice the ampere rating of the load. It also appears that you are using a 115 volt switch on a 120 volt circuit. I believe, however, the type T switch has a 125 volt rating.

Assuming that the switches shown

on the diagram are installed in the panel, we have a violation of Section 3885 which requires the switch to disconnect the fuses except for service equipment.—B.A.McD.

#### Four Wire, Delta Service

A customer will require a service for 150 amperes, single phase, 120/240 volts lighting load and a continuous duty 10 hp 220 volt, three phase, squirrel cage, across-the-line started, Code letter G, 50° C rise motor. The Utility company will only supply a four wire, delta, 120/240 volt, three phase service and one meter loop. What size service conductors and conduit must be installed? How must the installation be made?—A.W.

A. This problem can be answered in several ways. For the purpose of our discussion, a system similar to that shown in the following example will be taken as typical for such an installation.

A four wire, delta service drop feeds into a similar service entrance through a meter loop and terminated in a junction box. Immediately adjacent to the junction box we install a power switch and a light switch.

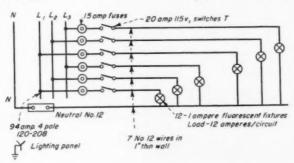
For the motor the following calculations are pertinent:

Branch circuit protection—10 hp, 220 volt motor, full load current equals 27 amperes. (Table 24, Chapter 10.)

Maximum rating of fuses for motor, 3 x 27 equals 81 amperes. (Table 26, Chapter 10.) A 100 ampere, three phase 10 hp rated main switch with three 90 ampere fuses is installed. 90 ampere fuses are the next highest rated fuses above the 81 ampere size required (Section 4349).

Running Protection—Assume actual current rating of the motor to be 29 amperes (this would be the actual value shown on the motor nameplate). Maximum protection equals 1.15 x 29 or 33.35 amperes (Sections 4322a and modifications as per Section 4324).

Minimum Branch Circuit Size—27 x 1.25 equals 33.75 amperes (Section 4312). Three (3) No. 8 type R,



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T, RH, etc., would be required (Table 1, Chapter 10.) Minimum conduit size would be <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" (Table 4, Chapter 10.)

For the lighting load a 200 ampere switch would be required with two 150 ampere fuses. Actually if this 150 ampere load would be continuous it may be found necessary to up these fuse sizes to 175 ampere size, or install time lag fuses.

For the 150 ampere load two 3/0 Type R (or two 1/0 Type RH) phase conductors (Table 1, Chapter 10) and one 3/0 Type R (Table 1, Chapter 10 and Section 2203g) or 3/0 bare neutral conductor (Section 2303a) may be installed. The minimum conduit size would be 2 inch.

The main service entrance would be designed as follows:

Motor conductor mini-

mum size 33 Lighting Load 150

33.75 amperes 150.00 "

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Minimum size of two phase conductors serving the lighting and the motor load would be 4/0 Type R.

Minimum size of third phase conductor serving the motor, only, would be No. 8 Type R.

Minimum neutral size would be 3/0 Type R.

The service entrance conduit size would be calculated as follows: 2—4/0 phase lines

at .4840 sq. in. each—.9680 (Table 13) 1—3/0 neutral line

at .4151 sq. in. —.4151 1—No. 8 phase line at .0760 sq. in. —.0760

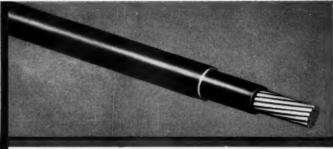
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Minimum conduit area at 40% fill (Table 11, Chapter 10) would be 1.4591/4 equals 3.65 sq. in. The area of a 2 inch conduit is 3.36 sq. in. and that of 2½ inch conduit is 4.79 sq. in. A 2½ inch conduit would have to be installed.

The diagram illustrates the above.—

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The National Electrical Code, A . Section 2584, states that made electrodes shall, if practicable, have a resistance to ground not to exceed 25 ohms, and if the resistance is not as low as 25 ohms, two or more electrodes connected in parallel shall be used. A contractor depending on made electrodes for grounding his neutral should in each case make some measurement to ascertain whether or not resistance to earth is reasonably low and undoubtedly in your area your inspector has found by measurement that soil conditions are such that it requires two or more rods in parallel to bring about a sufficiently low resistance. Actually, a resistance of 25 ohms is far too high inasmuch as it does not provide a low enough resistance to open overcurrent protection on 15 or 20 ampere circuits in the event of faults to earth and is therefore depending entirely on the distribution neutral to supply the resistance necessary to open such circuits. Therefore, should the distribution neutral be broken, it would be necessary to have ground electrodes having a resistance of less than 6 ohms to open a 15 ampere overcurrent protective device.

#### Fuse in Ground Circuit

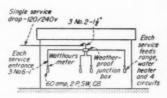
Section 2371-b of the Code covering Services prohibits an overcurrent device to be inserted in the grounded service conductor except a circuit breaker which simultaneously opens all conductors of the circuit. Section 2409-b permits a fuse to be used in a 2-wire branch circuit when grounding connections are likely to be reversed. Is this a conflict?—A.M.CB.

Many of us recall the days of three wire services, feeders, and branch circuits with all conductors fused and the hazards that resulted when the fuse in the neutral blew and 230 volts was impressed on one side of the circuit. Lamps, motors, and

other devices failed. In order to eliminate this hazard the Code prohibited the use of overcurrent protection in the grounded conductor, except where the overcurrent device simultaneously opened all conductors. The Code also recognized the fact that in some locations grounding conditions are poor and reversal of polarity might result, and under such conditions the overcurrent device would be shifted to the ground wire which also may be hazardous. In order to safeguard this hazard the Code permits under such conditions to place an overcurrent device in each conductor of a 2-wire circuit. With a two wire circuit you would not get the abnormal 230 volt pressure on the circuit when the neutral fuse blew, and if the polarity was reversed you would still have protection in the live conductor.-B.A.McD.

#### Service Entrance

Q. We are required by the Housing Administration to make an installation as shown in the following sketch:



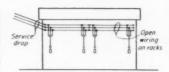
While we admit that this might comply with 2305 of the Code we believe it to be bad practice.

The transformers are connected in bank and if a failure should occur in the junction box the results would be had

Will you tell me what your reaction is to this?—G.R.C.

As you stated this type of construction does comply with the Code. With the proper size of junction box and with taps carefully made, there is no reason why such an installation should not give many years of reliable service.

In our own city many installations similar to this have been made in the downtown area which is served exclusively by a secondary network system. The service drop is brought in from the underground system in steel and fed into junction boxes, Types C, E and other conduit fittings before it is terminated at the various individual service switches. Some of these have been in service since 1925 and the service has been excellent with practically no failures resulting in the fittings or boxes.



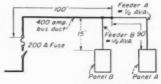
The type of installation which I tend to favor somewhat, when such an installation is feasible and can be made without violating code clearance rules, etc., is illustrated above.

In this installation, no taps are made within steel enclosures, and in addition the steel on the job is kept to a minimum.—B.Z.S.

#### **Busway Taps**

In a recent design of a school building, I was obliged to use one set of bus duct to supply the power to two panelboards. The bus duct terminated at a point as noted on sketch, and from this point on, it is to be taped off with two sets of feeder cables, A and B, for feeding panelboards A and B respectively. The connections of the bus duct and feeders are illustrated on the sketch.

As shown on the sketch, the 400 A. bus duct is protected by a set of 200 A. fuses. Feeder A is approximately 90 feet in length and feeder B is 15 feet. They are both No. 1/0 type AVA cables.



According to Table 1. Chapter 10 of the NEC, the allowable current carrying capacity of No. 1/0 AVA cable is 160 A. for room temp. 68° F. or below, and it reduces it to 160x.94, or 150 A. for maximum room temp. 104° F. Also, according to the Code, Article 2403, the maximum allowable rating of overcurrent protection may be up to 150% of that of the conductor, or 225 A. fuse is permitted for protecting No. 1/0 AVA cable. Now, since the fuse for bus duct is only 200 A. which is below the maximum rating permitted for the No. 1/0 AVA cable, therefore, the cable is protected against overcurrent. Here is my question. Referring to Article 2434, it states.

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"(b) Smaller Conductor Protected: If the overcurrent device protecting the larger conductors also protects the smaller conductors in accordance with Tables 1 and 2 of Chapter 10.

"(d) Taps Not Over 25 Feet Long: If the smaller conductors have a current-carrying capacity at least one-third that of the conductor from which they are supplied, and provided the tap is suitably protected from mechanical injury, is not over 25 feet long, and terminates in a single circuit breaker or set of fuses which will limit the load on the tap to that allowed by Tables 1 and 2, Chapter 10. Beyond this point the conductors may supply any number of circuit breakers or set of fuses."

My interpretation of this installation is that since the fuse for the bus duct also protects the feeder cables, it complies with paragraph (b) and therefore the overcurrent device for the cables may be omitted. However, someone argues about this point and claims that feeder "A" is 90 feet long, which is beyond the limit of 25 feet under paragraph (d), and therefore, an overcurrent device at the point of supply is required. I disagree with him. My interpretation of paragraph (d) is that this paragraph only applies to those sizes of the "smaller" conductors which have at least one-third of the capacity of the "larger" conductors but at the same time are too small to be protected by the overcurrent device of the "larger" conductor. That means, for such sizes, the overcurrent device at the supply size may also be omitted if they comply with the provisions listed, namely:

> Not over 25 feet long, and
>  Having a set of fuses of a single circuit breaker which will limit the load on the tap to that allowed by Tables 1 and
>  Chapter 10.

Since, as I explained previously, feeder "A" is protected by the overcurrent device of the bus duct, it should not be limited by the provisions listed in paragraph (d).

I will appreciate it very much if you will give me your advice or interpretation of this problem—W.T.

Before answering your question I would like to clarify the following points: According to Table 1. Chapter 10, the allowable current carrying capacity of No. 1/0 AVA cable is 190 A; Section 2403 of the Code permits overfusing to the extent of 150% only when standard fuse sizes



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do not correspond to the conductor current capacity. In such cases the next larger size fuse may be used provided it does not exceed 150% of the current capacity of the conductor. In order to satisfy this provision a 190 amp fuse must be used if such a size is a standard rating. According to available information the 190 amp fuse is not standard and you are then at liberty to use a 200 amp fuse but not a 225 amp fuse. The 200 amp size is considered a standard rating.

In answer to your question I would

say that both the 90 foot tap and the 15 foot tap protected by 200 amp fuses are correct provided you are using a No. 1/0 AVA cable with a current carrying capacity of 190 amps. If, however, the cable you are using only has a current capacity of 160 amperes, there would be a Code violation of Section 2403 and Section 2434-d. It appears to me that your opinion in this matter is influenced by the supposition that a conductor with a current carrying capacity of 160 amperes may, under any condition, be protected by a fuse rated 150% of the conductor capacity. If I have clarified this point in your mind I believe you will agree that your reasoning concerning 2434-d is incorrect.

Section 2434-d, the 25-foot tap rule, permits unprotected taps when the current capacity of the tap conductor is at least one-third that of the conductor to which it is attached; when the tap is not over 25 feet long; when the tap is protected from mechanical injury and; when the tap terminates in a single overcurrent device which will limit the load to that permitted by Tables 1 and 2. Section 2434-d is not limited to smaller conductors.

According to your diagram the 90foot tap is a Code violation and unless Panels A and B each contained an overcurrent device rated at 160 amperes or, in the case of fuses, rated at 175 amperes there would be a Code violation.—B.A.McD.

#### Circuits For Dwellings

The number of circuits in a dwelling are determined by using three watts per square foot as is required by the Code. Is there a limitation on the number of ordinary convenience outlets which may be placed on each circuit or will the Code limit up to ten such outlets per circuit!—

A Under Section 2116 of the Code, you will find the following statement: "All receptacle outlets of 15-ampere or less rating in single-

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family and multi-family dwellings and in guest rooms of hotels (except those connected to the receptacle circuits specified in paragraph b of Section 2115) may be considered as outlets for general illumination, and no additional load need be included for such outlets."

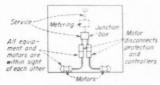
Therefore, if for convenience purposes one wishes to place outlets every few feet around the perimeter of a living room, for instance, the Code will not limit the number of such outlets on any one circuit. It would, of course, he advantageous to have at least a division of circuits supplying an individual living room and many contractors divide the outlets in a living room between two or more circuits which may also extend to other portions of the dwelling and do whenever a serious attempt is made to balance load.

You will also note under item 3, subparagraph c. of this same section that even where multi-outlet assemblies are utilized in dwellings there is no limitation placed upon the length of such assembly which may be connected to any one circuit.

Therefore, in dwellings, the overcurrent protective drvice is the sole limiting factor on the total connected load which may be placed on circuits serving the general illumination requirements. You will also note that the provisions of paragraph b. of this section must apply to all other receptacle outlets. In other words, outlets serving unit loads or specific appliances or devices and the outlets on the receptacle appliance circuit must comply with paragraph b. of Section 2116.— G.R.

#### Service Switches For Motor Installations

As shown in the diagram the installation consists of only two motors. No lighting service or any other service is required. The motor disconnects, etc., are, therefore, service equipment and the type used is approved for service equipment use.



Sections 2351 and 2371 will be complied with since these permit a maxinum of six sets of disconnects and six sets of overcurrent devices to serve in lieu of a single disconnect or single set of overcurrent devices, respectively.



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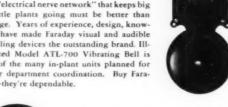
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Section 4408, however, would seem to prohibit the use of this construction for more than one motor .- A.I.B.

Section 4408 seemingly would A. prohibit the installation as shown above and would require a single disconnect to be installed ahead of the two motor disconnect switches. This section definitely states that the service switch may serve as the disconnecting means for an installation consisting of a single motor.

If the motor disconnects and overcurrent protection devices (branch circuit overcurrent protection which is usually integrated into a common enclosure with the disconnect) are approved for service equipment and have also horsepower ratings, there should not be any difficulty in obtaining approval for the installation as shown in the sketch. It is the writer's opinion that most inspectors would approve up to six sets of disconnects and overcurrent devices provided all motor requirements and service equipment requirements were satisfied as indicated in the sketch and in the discussion.-B.Z.S.

#### Service Disconnecting Means and Adequacy

The Code recognizes six 15 ampere circuit breakers as a means of service disconnect in a residential occupancy. When we run into one of these old installations and wish to install a separate circuit for an oil burner, we have to revamp the whole service or else violate the Code by adding the extra disconnect which makes seven disconnects. If our customer desires a dryer or automatic washer, considerable money must be spent for a new service before the sale is completed. Who is to blame for such short-sightedness? Why do we have such a Code rule? Who is at fault when the seventh disconnect is added? The Inspector, the Manufacturer, the Dealer or the Contractor?-C.M.

In reply to your last question A. the person who installed the seventh disconnect means, violates the N. E. Code, irrespective of the conditions you have outlined. Quite often all of us forget that the provisions of the Code constitute a minimum standard. As a result many of us are completely satisfied when our work meets the Code standard. We have no thought of any new loads which may arise in the future. We are not interested in an adequacy factor which should be considered on all jobs. We are not interested in voltage drop because the Code has no mandatory provisions for same. We just want a job that passes and as a result, we get just what the N. E. Code tells us in its Introduction; an installation reasonably free from hazard but not necessarily efficient and convenient.

Who is to blame for this shortsightedness you describe? If you can show me the man who ten or fifteen years ago knew that in 1951 we would have the automatic washer, the clothes dryer, the deep freezer, the dishwasher and disposal and the other appliances common to residential occupancies today, I would be inclined to say he is the one responsible for the apparent short-sightedness. And what about 1961, will the same criticism again arise? When will we, all of us, who are interested in the electrical wiring industry learn a lesson concerning adequacy in our electrical planning? The case you have cited certainly proves the justification for all of us to preach adequacy on every occasion possible, not for our immediate profit but for the millions of dollars that must be spent in the future by our customers to avail themselves of the rapid advances in our industry. I believe that all of us concerned with electrical wiring, must coordinate our efforts in obtaining installations which exceed Code requirements with factors of adequacy woven into our service sizes, conductor sizes, circuit loading and so on down the line. We must cooperate in our efforts so that when the Inspector endeavors to obtain adequacy that exceeds Code requirements, someone else does not knock it down with the remark "Don't pay any attention to that bird, he's built that way, he's always trying to build up a job." Let's all get together on this question of adequacy and possibly in 1961, we will not be criticised for overloaded conditions which are so prevalent today. The same holds true for the engineer who lays out a job. The fellow who recognizes the importance of adequacy knows from experience the hazards and pit-falls which lies ahead when it is neglected. Let's all cooperate with his efforts since experience shows that he has been correct many, many times in the past.-B.A.McD.

#### Service Switch

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will be run in conduit with a junction box at each point where the taps are taken off for the sub-distribution panels. Now if these taps are smaller in size than the 20 conductors supplying them, need they be fused when no run will be in excess of 22 feet?-F.C.

It is assumed you are consider-A. ing the 200 ampere service switch as being limited to 80% of its nameplate rating and are using Type RH feeders from this service switch to the various points of distribution, If this is true, it is possible to carry a tap from this feeder circuit of smaller wire for as much as 25 feet provided the smaller tap conductor has a carrying-capacity equivalent to at least one-third that of the feeder conductor. This provision is found under Section 2434, paragraph d, which reads as follows:

"If the smaller conductors have a current-carrying capacity at least onethird that of the conductor from which they are supplied, and provided the tap is suitably protected from mechanical injury, is not over 25 feet long, and terminates in a single circuit-breaker or set of fuses which will limit the load on the tap to that allowed by Tables 1 and 2, Chapter 10. Beyond this point the conductors may supply any number of circuit breakers or fuses."

Therefore, it would be possible to run taps from this feeder circuit of conductors as small as size 6 for distances up to 25 feet without violating the Code. However, we wish to call your attention to the requirement for a set of breakers or fuses within each distribution cabinet which will limit the entire load supplied by the cabinet to the safe carrying-capacity of the conductors forming the tap between the distribution point and the main feeders.-G.R.

#### **Grounding On Copper Pipes**

Article 250, Section 2614 states that connections that depend upon solder shall not be used. Does this apply to grounding to a cold water system of copper pipe with sweated solder joints? We are permitted to ground to the system anywhere on the premises as long as the piping is continuous and unions, if any, are bonded. However there may be, in most all cases are, sweated joints between the attachment and the connection of the copper piping to the street service. Is there a violation of the Code or does the fact that the pipes contain cold water make it permissible to overlook the sweated joints?-L.J.G.

Insofar as the N. E. Code is A concerned there is not, in my opinion, any Code violation. Section 2614 definitely prohibits the use of solder connection for connecting the grounding conductor to the grounding electrode there is nothing in the Code that says that an electrode consisting of a water piping system cannot have sweated soldered joints. The rule applies only to the connection to the electrode and not to the electrode itself. Irrespective of the foregoing, it appears logical for an Inspector or an electrician to assume that if soldered connections are unsatisfactory at the points of attachment to electrodes, circuits and equipment, they are likewise unsatisfactory in any part of the electrode which forms a path to ground. The only difference I see is the fact that a poor soldered connection is often hard to detect but a poor sweated joint in a water pipe line will leak and must be corrected to obtain efficient operation.

This rule first appeared in the 1940 Code and was the result of difficulties experienced with soldered connections in the ground circuit. At that time I doubt that the question of copper water pipes or the cold water in the pipes was even considered. I do believe however that the question should be recognized by the Code and clarified because there is a difference of opinion among Inspectors on the correct procedure to follow when copper water pipe electrodes are

used .- B.A.McD.

#### Official N.E.C. Interpretations INTERPRETATION NO. 384

(Issued April 25, 1952)

ARTICLE 210-Size of Service Entrance Conductors

Problem No. 1: A single family dwelling containing a total area of 700 square feet and a computed load not to exceed 45 amperes, in accordance with Article 210, divided on one 20ampere and two 15-ampere branch circuits is to be supplied with 115/230 volts, three-wire.

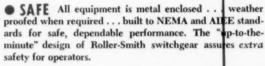
Question: What size service entrance conductors of Type SE cable is required?

Answer: No. 6 AWG.

Problem No. 2: A building having a computed load not to exceed the capacity of three 15-ampere branch circuits, in accordance with Article 210, contains a four-circuit panel approved as service equipment with three 15ampere branch circuits connected

Question: May this building be supplied by a service entrance of two No. 6 Type R conductors at 115 volts? Answer: Yes.





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The completed lighting installation, therefore, represents a multiple solution involving the shifting of sprinkler and air conditioning facilities to a single side curtain wall, cutting special ceiling panels to fit the various curves in the ceiling plan, suspending and aligning the molded panels, and wiring for ceiling, canopy and display case lighting.

As indicated on the accompanying lighting plan, 65 fixtures were suspended 6 inches below the true ceiling, with the bottom of the lamps approximately 14½ feet above the floor. Fixtures are 3-lamp 40-watt units mounted end-to-end with rows on

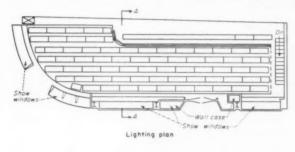
2-foot centers. The panels are translucent plastic supported 10 inches below the lamps.

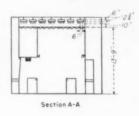
This general illumination, representing a load of 18 watts per sq. ft. over the main area, delivers between 135- and 145-footcandles to bordering counter tops. It is augmented by

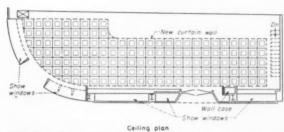
single-lamp border strips above wall cases, by concealed showcase lighting, and by an installation of eight 4-lamp 40-watt fixtures mounted in a continuous row beneath the section of dropped ceiling. The total connected load for lighting is over 15-kw for this 950 sq. ft. corner drug store.

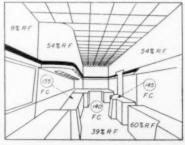


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**LIGHTING PLAN** shows positioning of 3- and 4-lamp, 20- and 40-watt fluorescent units, suspension details of the plastic panels, location of border- and case-lights, and mounting dimensions.



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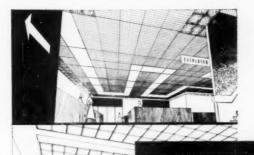
Continuous rows of 8-foot T-12 slimline lamps, mounted 23 inches on centers and 23 inches above a Benjamin SkyGlo eggcrate-louvered ceiling, produce a maintained average lighting intensity of 70 footcandles on counter tops in the Chicago Heights Store of the Public Service Company of Northern Illinois. Ceiling panels are suspended 101 feet above the floor while slimline lamps, operating at 425 milliamps, are mounted at right angles to the wiring channels. This mounting method resulted in a major materials savings, for instead of allocating an 8-foot channel for each 8-foot lamp, it was possible to use each channel for several socket connections.

Adjustable Swivelier hoods, stems fastened to the true ceiling and extending down through the cellular panels, contain 150-watt R40 reflector spots to highlight special displays and feature merchandise in this combination sales-and-service office.

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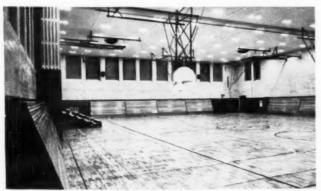


**CLOSEUP** shows positioning of floodlights at pole tops, clusters of PAR38 lamps on the protruding ornamental arms, and cold-cathode signs secured immediately beneath these accent units.

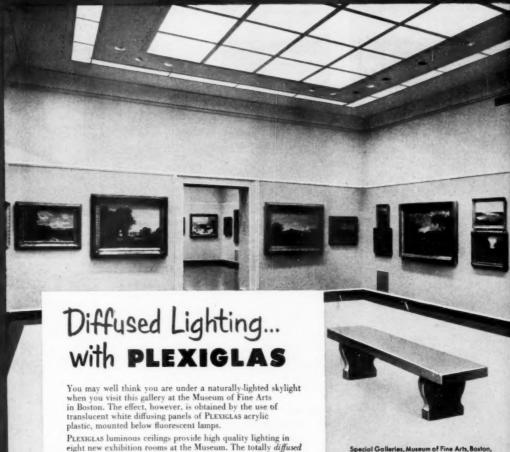
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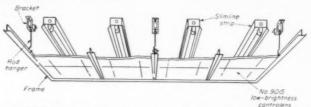


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Over each bay is a luminous panel measuring approximately 8 by 11 feet, composed of 96 Holophane 9015 Controlens arranged in 12 rows of 8 lenses each. Lenses rest on inverted T bars supported by a steel frame which is supported in turn by rod hangers and brackets secured to the building's structural members. The length of the panels make it feasible to incorporate twelve 8-foot T-12 slimline lamps in each installation, with lamps mounted on Litecontrol single strip channels. Wired on alternate circuits, either half or all of the lamps may be used as desired. This provides a 2-level installation, with 76 footcandles delivered to counter heights when all lamps are in use, and 44 fc when alternate rows only are lighted.

Wattage per bay is 1100, or approximately 2.1 watts per sq. ft. for the central 21-by-100-foot area.

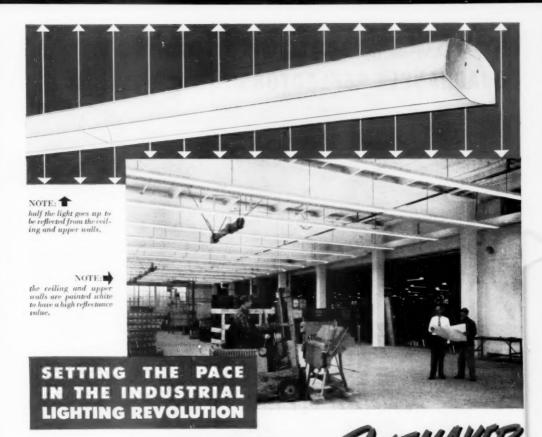
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#### Skyglo Geiling For Luggage Shop

Three types of illumination are pleasingly combined to light the wide assortment of luggage displayed by Pitts The Trunk Man in San Diego, California.

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EGGCRATE LOUVERED ceiling shields installation of 200-ma slimline lamps providing 50-fc of maintained illumination to counter tops of Pitts the Trunk Man. in San Diego.

mezzanine, is a recessed installation of pre-heat 2-lamp 4-foot fixtures fitted with albalite glass bottom panels, while the mezzanine itself is top lighted by surface-mounted louvered 8-foot slimlines, also operating at 200-ma.

Although the store is comparatively narrow, the wall-to-wall lighting treatment and the use of light paint and woodwork creates an impression of a nuch larger area. Use of recessed troffers in the rear of the store adds an interesting note of contrast.



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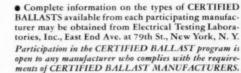
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#### Tension Block Solves Winding Problem

An inexpensive, simply constructed device has solved a common winding problem in the Watts and Stern Motor Repair Shop, Philadelphia, Pa. This device, a tension block, has improved the quality of winding jobs and eliminated the difficulties which arise from unwinding wire from a spool for winding coils.

The problem which existed before this tension block was built is an old headache in many shops. When winding field coils, a tension must be he.d on the wire as it is fed to the coil. The person winding the coil usually maintains this tension with his hand. If this tension is not just right, trouble really develops. If the coils are wound too fast, the wire runs off the spool very fast. Then, if winding slows down, the wire comes flying off the spool, causing snagged and loose coils. As the wire reel then slows, a sudden increase in winding speed will snap the wire. Often, even skilled manipulation of tension by hand cannot prevent these difficulties.

In an attempt to do away with this inefficiency, one of the gang at Watts and Stern came up with the idea of the tension block. A 5-inch by 5-inch block, 24 inches high, was mounted in a vertical position about 4 feet from the front of the winding machine. The block was firmly secured to the floor.

On top of the block, an adjustable clamp arrangement was set up.

Winding procedure, using the tension block, is simple. From the wire reel, mounted on a frame behind the block, the wire is passed through the clamp to the winding machine. To protect the wire, a piece of tubing is used in the clamp and the wire threaded

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#### Rotor Cradle Speeds Shop Work

A simple wooden rig provides quick and easy movement of heavy armatures in the motor repair shop of Watts and Stern, Philadelphia, Pa. The rig was constructed to solve a serious movement problem which had become a bottleneck to routine shop procedure.

The work load in this shop had reached the point where the overhead hoists and chain blocks were constantly in use. And because this shop specializes in heavy industrial work, almost all of the motors they handled were heavy machines, up to 200 hp., which required some form of mechanical assistance for movement. The problem, therefore, was to provide some means of moving these heavy machines.



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In use, the rotor is loaded on the cradle, either by hand or quickly by chain block. The cradle can then be pushed around the shop—to the dipping tanks, baking ovens, etc. In many cases, the cradle can first be placed on a dolly which will further speed movement.

Since this rig has been in use, the hoists have been free to handle many additional jobs around the shop. Often, much work can be done on rotors without taking them from the cradle. And the cradle-on-dolly arrangement affords quick parking of machines which are awaiting work. In this way, congested traffic in the shop is easily eliminated.

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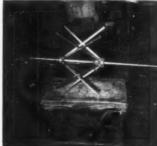
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Just a few spare pieces are required to make up this umbrella-like reel. First, 8 pairs of steel spokes are made up. Each pair consists of two flat spokes, about 15 inches long, about 4 inch wide and about .050 inches thick, riveted together at their mid-points. Then 8 holes are drilled through the thickness of two bushings. The holes are spaced around the holes in the center of the bushings. Through each of these holes on each bushing, oneinch slotted rivets are pushed. The rivets should have a snug fit in the bushing holes. With the slotted rivets in position, one end of each pair of spokes is riveted to each split rivet on one bushing and, one end of each pair is riveted to each split rivet on the other bushing.

With the spokes secured to the two bushings, a steel rod of the proper diameter is passed through the two bushings. One bushing is then tightened on the rod with metal screws; the other bushing is provided with a take-up screw to allow fixing the position of the bushing anywhere along the rod.

The finished reel is then adjustable for any diameter of spread by moving the one bushing along the rod. The diameter can be set to make large or small diameter coils of reeled wire. In use, one end of the rod is placed in a bearing which is held tightly in a vise.

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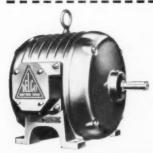
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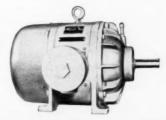
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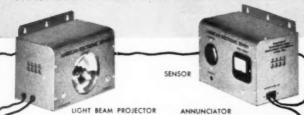
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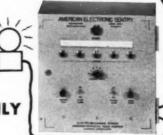
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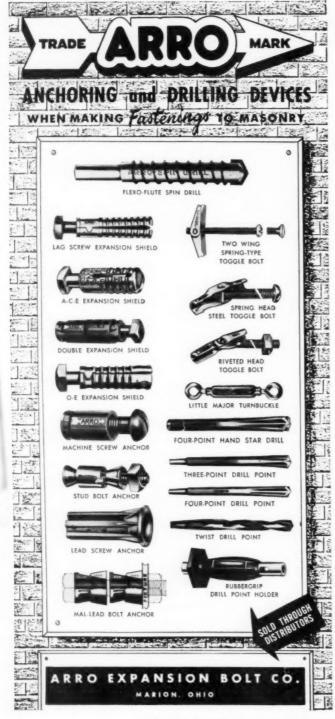
#### Quick-Cutting Method For Slot Wedges

Motor winding jobs get a timesaving improvement with a clever wrinkle on cutting coil slot wedges at the National Electric Motor Repair Company, Passaic, N. J. This method for cutting wedges is one of many shop-tested ideas developed by Andy Anderson, one of the gang at National.

It came to Andy one day that coil winding could be greatly speeded if the coil slot wedges could be cut for size on a wholesale basis, instead of individually. Following up on the idea, he bundled a number of wedge strips with three pieces of tape, marked the desired length and cut the bundle with a band saw. Quickly and easily, he had a complete set of wedges for one winding job.

With this method, any kind of wood or fiber wedges can be cut to size for any motor. And in addition to wholesale cutting, as many as 36 wedges can be cut at one time, this method provides better wedges. The ends of the wedges are cut smoothly with no trace of chipped or broken ends, which often result from cutting wood wedges





singly with pliers. Fiber wedges, which ordinarily bend and twist at the end when cut with pliers, are also maintained in good shape in spite of their hollow cross-section.

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MOTOR SHOP MEN Joseph Wagner, Philadelphia; and M. H. Eisenhardt, Camden, N. J., meet again at recent NISA convention in Chicago.



HIGH FREQUENCY testing will show equipment defects which normal test methods will not uncover, Samuel Heller, Consolidated Electric Motor Co., New York City, tells NISA members during a technical forum.



G. E. McINTYRE, electrical engineer, Dow Corning Corp., Midland, Michigan tells motor shop operators the practical limits on "uprating" motors with Class H alass insulations.

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#### MAINTENANCE TOOLS AND INSTRUMENTS

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ampere ammeters, current transformers provide safe and accurate measurements, depending on the degree of accuracy of the C-T and the instru-

Voltmeters-For checking circuit voltages, measuring voltage drops, etc. Their selection again depends upon whether the equipment used is dc or ac or both. It is usually necessary to have a low reading instrument and another with a scale high enough to take care of the highest voltage used. Tachometer - For determining the speed of machines. There are a few types on the market-direct reading instruments and the less expensive hand type revolution counter which is suitable for the mechanic's kit.

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Wattmeter-Measures electrical power in watts. On unbalanced three-phase circuits, two wattmeters are required. When necessary, the power factor of a circuit can be determined by taking simultaneous readings with a voltmeter, ammeter and wattmeter and determining the ratio between the actual power (watts) and the apparent power (volts x amps).

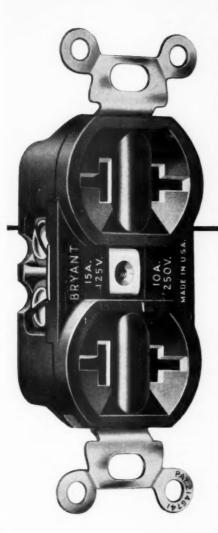
Power factor meter-For direct measurement of power factor.

Combination meters-Consist of either a few meters in one case or a number of different scales on the same meter. Special testers-A wide variety of such testers are available and are of definite advantage where a constant need for fast field metering exists. Recording instruments - Recording ammeters, voltmeters and wattmeters are available for use where a continuous record of load or voltage fluctuations is needed. In many applications,

the indicating types. Oscilloscopes-The cathode ray oscilloscope is an invaluable aid in troubleshooting and analyzing electronic control circuits and devices and in testing such special equipment as mechanical

these instruments are more useful than

The number and types of tools and instruments for any maintenance operation depend upon the nature and extent of the work. Any maintenance department must determine the adequacy of its tools and instruments on the basis of its own limitations. To that end, this discussion of maintenance equipment is only a guide.



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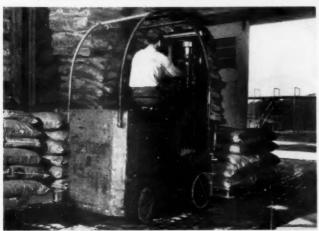
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# **Practical Methods**



STEEL FLOOR MATTING in this supplies warehouse eliminated the materials handling difficulty of using industrial trucks. Previously, trucks would bog down in the unfinished, soft dirt floor.

#### Steel Matting Solves Flooring Problem

-MATERIALS HANDLING

Unfinished, soft dirt floors are often an obstacle to effective materials handling in many supplies warehouses. Lifting and moving heavy supplies is both difficult and hazard-

ous for personnel in such warehouses where the footing is insecure. And materials handling trucks are easily bogged down in soft dirt. This problem, however, was cleverly eliminated at American Cyanamid's Willow Island, West Virginia, plant.

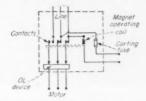
Recalling how perforated steel strips were used as a matting to make temporary airfields in World War II, American Cyanamid reasoned that this matting should improve the unfinished floor in one of their storage buildings. The steel matting was installed and proved as effective as it was inexpensive.

Although in this case the flooring was only temporary, until a concrete flooring could be laid, the application would seem to be an inexpensive permanent solution for materials handling difficulties in many supplies warehouses.

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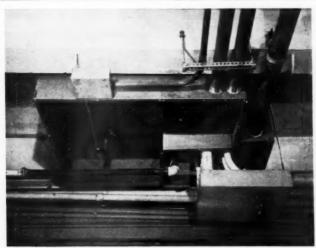


CARTRIDGE FUSE inserted in the circuit of the operating coil in this basic circuit of an across-the-line magnetic motor starter protects the coil from burnouts if the armature does not seat properly.

used with much success by Thomas Trail, Catonsville, Md.

The problem which this application eliminates is a common one. In a shunt type magnetic contactor, the operating coil for the electromagnet is usually connected in parallel with the circuit controlled or with some portion of the circuit. The current through the coil energizes the magnet to close the contacts to the motor or circuit controlled. Often, due to misalignment of parts or a collection of dust or dirt between moving parts, the armature will fail to seat properly on the magnet frame. In such cases, the high resistance or open at the contacts will cause excessive current flow through the shunted operating coil of the magnet. If this condition, which is particularly troublesome in the case of ac coils, is not remedied immediately, the coil will usually burn out.

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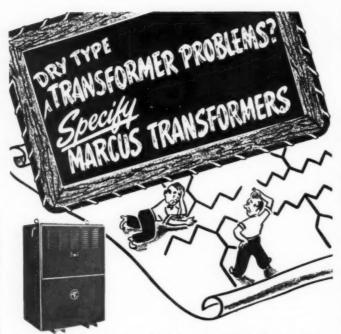


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#### Black-Light Inspects Varnish Coating

-PRODUCTION

An inspection technique which utilizes ultra-violet black-light has solved a very serious problem for the American Microphone Company, Pasadena. The black-light is used in conjunction with a fluorescent additive to the varnish coating applied to transmitter elements for military telephone hand sets.

The problem was one which has continually plagued manufacturers of military equipment for use in the tropics. Such equipment must be thoroughly tropicalized by coating with a transparent fungicidal varnish. This coating must be applied to each element of the equipment to protect the elements against the severe extremes of tropical weather. The importance of this coating, however, necessitated careful inspection. And under ordinary light, it was impossible to detect gaps in the varnish coating.

Working in conjunction with Ultra-Violet Products, Inc., South Pasadena, Calif., American Microphone finally developed a technique which eliminated any chance of incomplete tropicalization. A fluorescent material was added to the fungicidal varnish, and black-light ultra-violet lamps were installed at the varnish coating and inspection tables. When the tropicalized transmitter element is inspected under the black-light, the fluorescent material in the varnish glows brilliantly, making any gaps in the varnish application immediately visible.



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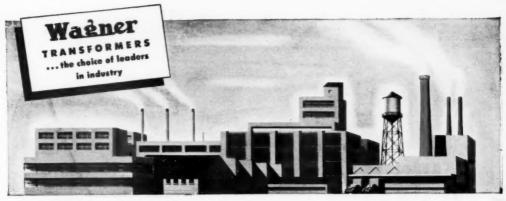
PRODUCTION

An internally water-cooled inertarc welding torch has accelerated fabrication of power-recovery turbines for aircraft engines at the McGregor Manufacturing Corp., Birmingham, Alabama. In addition, the use of this torch has greatly reduced production costs on this defense-vital operation.

The advantages of this inert-arc torch over the previous equipment have been closely observed by the McGregor engineers. Downtime for adjustment of the tungsten electrodes was reduced, and the nozzle design of the torch effected more efficient gas consumption. The reduction in gas consumption, at least 25% over the former process, afforded a further reduction in cost by curtailing the amount of tungsten required. An efficient internal water cooling system also reduced tungsten consumption and provided a more stable arc.

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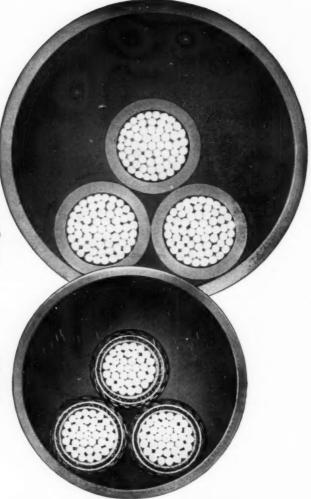
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# In The News

#### NEMA's 4th I. L. E. Held in Cleveland

The 4th International Lighting Exposition and Conferences was held in Cleveland May 6-9, in the huge Cleveland Auditorium. Nearly 6500 lighting engineers, architects, electrical engineers, electrical contractors, electrical utility lighting men, plant engineers and others registered for this four-day lighting event.

Sponsored by the Commercial and Industrial Lighting Equipment Section of the National Electrical Manufacturers Association, this Exposition was easily the outstanding lighting show of 1952. It was a veritable store of new lighting ideas, lighting designs and equipment. Those who attended had an opportunity to see lighting progress in the making, to learn of lighting design and lighting application trends, and to see and examine first hand many new and noteworthy developments.

This exposition is the fourth affair of its type to be sponsored by NEMA since World War II. Attendance was somewhat of a disappointment to the sponsors and exhibitors, being about 25% below that of the last Exposition held at the end of March, 1949, three years ago, in Chicago. Those who attended agreed, however, that what the 4th ILE lacked in attendance was more than offset by the quality of the exhibits and the outstanding display of Merit Award entries from the 1952 NEMA Merit Award Competition.

Lighting exhibits were displayed in 128 booths by 84 manufacturers of lighting equipment, lamps, and lighting components, trade publications and trade and technical associations. Exhibits embraced lighting equipments and components of practically all types which form the "tools" of the art and science of lighting. In addition to the standard popular lighting designs which have proven so popular over the past three or four years, many manufacturers also showed new luminaire designs, lamps and components, and new types of lighting equipment not previously shown or announced. These new developments are now in the process of being announced and publicized by the various manufacturers, and will soon be finding their way into new installations across the country.

It is impossible to list and review all of these new lighting developments here in the limited space available for this report. Instead, the trends in general terms are outlined. Several manufacturers displayed luminous ceilings of one type or another, some using glass, some plastics, some continuing the use of louver sections. One manufacturer displayed a series of shallow molded plastic luminous elements in various forms which can be grouped in a wide range of modular and special design patterns. Another displayed a basic luminous ceiling structure which will accommodate a variety of glass. plastic or louver panels. Grid ceilings acoustical baffles were on display, and many manufacturers exhibited murals, photos and color transparencies showing various luminous elements in jobs already installed.

Another trend of great importance noted in several booths was that of industrial reflector luminaires having an upward component of light to softly illuminate the ceilings of industrial plants—providing a better visual environment and better quality lighting for factory workers. One manufacturer exhibited an explosion-proof fluorescent luminaire with excellent maintenance features, and practically all manufacturers stressed new features to simplify the problem of easy installation and easy maintenance. Two out-



WINNER of three Gold Seal Merit Awards in the 1952 NEMA Merit Award Competition was George E. Pieper, Metals & Controls Corporation engineer, Attleboro, Mass., who is being congratulated by Carl W. Zersen, managing director of the Chicago Lighting Institute, who was Chairman of the Board of Judges of the Merit Award Competition.



CANADIAN VISITOR to the Cleveland Lighting Exposition was D. Roland Webb, consulting electrical engineer of St. John, New Brunswick, who reviewed the exhibits and signed up for literature with Jack Parks, Holophane Co. Inc. representative of Detroit, Michigan.



**ENAMEL FINISHES** for reflectors were explained by John K. McGuire (left), Glidden Co., Cleveland, to Carl Weisel and Wade Slusser, both of Monarch Rubber Co., Hartville, Ohio, as they toured the exhibits at the 4th International Lighting Exposition in Cleveland May 6-9th.



INDUSTRIAL LIGHTING comparative cost data, shown in chart form, interested Bruce E. Gilman, electrical engineer with Standard Oil Co. of Indiana, Whiting, Indiana. R. D. Williams, Chicago manager of Pittsburgh Reflector Co., explains the chart to Gilman.





CUBAN VISITOR to the 4th International Lighting Exposition was Ricardo E. Franklin, electrical engineer and contractor with the Hall de La Construction Co., Havana (right), who was pleasantly surprised at the tremendous progress in lighting design and application exhibited at the show. B. D. Levaur, vice-president of Pittsburgh Reflector Co., and Chairman of the NEMA Lighting Equipment Section sponsoring the Exposition, pointed out highlights of this progress to 5r. Franklin.

standing developments in disconnecting devices were also on display.

Noteworthy lamp developments on display included a new "rapid start" 40-watt fluorescent lamp that does not require a starter, and uses a ballast which is smaller, lighter, cheaper and quieter, and color-corrected mercury vapor 400-watt lamps, both standard and with built-in reflectors (R-type bulbs).

Incandescent lamp fixtures continue in popularity, and many new developments in this field were also shown—recessed lens units, bowl-silvered lamp luminaires, recessed and adjustable spot units for R-lamps, and many others.

One important trend was the use of improved commercial luminaire designs for fluorescent lamps. Nearly all designs shown were for use with both slimline and "pre-heat start" lamps, and better shielding and lower brightness were noted for all designs. More ingenuity in light control principles for fluorescent luminaires was evident. based on producing better lighting results and a better quality of lighting. Many designs incorporate parabolic reflectors for light and brightness control, and nearly all commercial units present a low brightness, luminous appearance without dark areas to produce an annoying shadowed area when

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EASY INSTALLATION features of a new troffer on exhibit at the 4th International Lighting Show in Cleveland attracted the attention of electrical contractor A. E. Taras of Cleveland (right). His questions were answered by Jay Rosenthal, New York City salesman for Ruby-Philite, Inc., Long Island City, N. Y., who displayed the troffer.

of troffers being produced today, with 2442 possible combinations.

As in previous Expositions, the spotlight was focused on the winning entries in the 1952 NEMA Merit Award Competition. These were displayed in art gallery style at the entrance of the Exposition Hall. Numbering over 200, they represented the best techniques and latest interpretations of Planned Lighting as conceived and put into practical installations by electrical contractors, wholesalers, consulting engineers and architects, electric utility light and power men, and owners and users of industrial and commercial lighting.

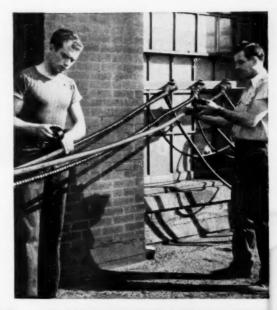
Gold Seal Merit Awards were made for 23 entries. These were as follows: electrical contractors—4; utility lighting and power men—6; electrical wholesalers—5; architects and engineers—4; and owners and users—4 Many of these entries were made jointly by lighting men in different classifications.

Merit Awards with Distinction were made on 27 entries, of which five went to electrical contractors, and 14 to architects and engineers. Merit Awards were made to 196 other entries.

Gold Seal Awards and Merit Awards with Distinction were made to all winning contestants as part of the Conference program. Gerry T. Morrow, Chairman of the Merit Award Competition Committee, chairmanned the presentation ceremony, and the Awards were made by the panel of judges under the chairmanship of Carl W. Zersen,

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Managing Director, Chicago Lighting Institute, who was chairman of the Board of Judges.

Mr. Zersen first gave an analysis of the Merit Award entries, pointing out their significance and indicated trends. Then after the Awards had been made, Gold Seal Award installations were projected on a large screen while Mr. Zersen reviewed the lighting layout and lighting details for each.

The Conference program headlined such top officials in government, lighting and allied fields as Jos. S. Schuchert, Manager, Commercial Sales Department, Duquesne Light Co., Pittsburgh; Luther D. Shank, Deputy Director, Electrical Equipment Division, N.P.A., Washington, D.C.; S. L. Drum, Vice-President, New Orleans Public Service, Inc.; and Chairman of the Better Light Better-Sight Bureau: Dr. Sylvester Guth. Research Scientist. General Electric Co., Cleveland: George P. Wakefield, Product Development Engineer, F. W. Wakefield Brass Co.; and Miss May Callas, Interior Decorator.

The Conference program opened officially on Tuesday, May 6 at Noon when B. D. Levaur, Chairman of the Industrial and Commercial Lighting Equipment Section of NEMA formally opened the Exposition by introducing Thomas A. Burke, Mayor, Cleveland, and several other honored guests. Mayor Burke welcomed the Exposition group and visitors to Cleveland, and was acknowledged by S. R. Naysmith, General Chairman of the Exposition Operating Committee, after which the distinguished guests and committee members made an official tour of the exhibits.

The first Conference session was comprised of a talk on "Mobilizing

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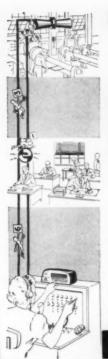


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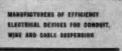
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ROUND TABLE discussion on lighting was broadcast by Station WGAR, Cleveland, during IES Great Lakes Regional Conference, May 5th. Participants were IES officials E. M. Strong, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., -- Senior Vice President; Walter Sturrock, General Electric Co., Nela Park, Cleveland,-Past President (1950-51); and Samuel G. Hibben, Westinghouse Lamp Division, Bloomfield, N. J. President.

With Planned Lighting," given by Joseph S. Schuchert, Manager, Commercial Sales Department, Duquesne Light Co., Pittsburgh, and the presentation of the Merit Awards. Mr. Schuchert discussed the history of Planned Lighting and showed how it is being used to advance the nation's welfare. He made a plea for the continuance of the Planned Lighting program, and stressed again the need for "planning" every lighting installation in order to insure the customers who buy lighting the best installations possible

On Wednesday evening over 1000 lighting industry men attended the Exhibitors' Dinner, honoring the NEMA Board of Governors, and listened to a talk on the subject, "Mobilize to Advance America's Welfare," which was presented by Hon. Dewey Short, Congressman from Missouri,

The second conference session was devoted to "Mobilization Through Lighting," and consisted of two timely talks. One was on "Building Under Present Controls," by Luther D. Shank, Deputy Director, Electrical Equipment Division, NPA, Washington, D. C., and the other was on "Customer Education-Basis for Successful Planned Lighting Sales," by S. L. Drumm, Vice-President, New Orleans Public Service. Inc., and Chairman, Better Light-Better Sight Bureau.

Mr. Shank outlined CMP controls as they relate to construction, and as differentiated from production controls. He reviewed the materials and metals supply situation, and showed how it affects construction, which in turn affects the total annual volume of the lighting industry. Construction requiring lighting equipment was about \$10.7-billion in 1947. Mr. Shank said, and estimated that similar construction demands in 1954 will reach



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\$23.7-billion, or an increase of 115% in seven years. Lighting equipment shipments in 1947 were reported at \$251-million, and in 1948 at \$264-million. In 1949, construction remained at about the same rate as in 1948, but lighting equipment shipments dropped to \$230-million, Mr. Shank reported. In 1950, lighting shipments rose to \$276-million, and rose again in 1951 to \$311-million, while construction requiring lighting remained at about \$22-billion for both years.

Mr. Shank predicted that 1952 construction requiring lighting will approximate \$23.7-billion, and lighting equipment at \$331-million, still higher than the 1951 rate, or any rate since 1947. He forecast 1953 lighting volume shipments at \$340-million, and 1954 volume at \$341-million, and stated that these estimates are conservative.

Summing up, Mr. Shank said "The growth of the lighting industry is due primarily to the creative art and ability of its members. Probably more than any other industry, it can build its own future. It not only serves the needs and desires of its own markets, it creates needs and desires where none existed before."

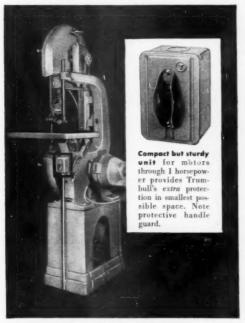
Mr. Drumm asked why the lighting industry, with a wealth of marvelous products to promote, hasn't made more progress with the job of relighting American factories, schools, homes, stores and offices according to modern standards, and then answered his own question. He summed it up in one brief statement "Our customers will buy and use the amount and type of lighting they need only when they have been shown why they need it-when they understand fully the benefits it will mean to them-and realize that these benefits are worth the cost of the installation required."

The Better Light—Better Sight Bureau is working in two fields, Mr. Drumm stated. One is the education of present customers—children now attending school, who will be the customers of the future. It is an advertising and promotion type of program, the other a teaching project.

The third conference program was devoted to "Future Horizons of Visual Comfort Evaluation and Their Effect on Human Performance," and was presided over by Dr. Ward Harrison, consulting engineer of Cleveland. Sylvester K. Guth, Research Scientist of General Electric Co., Nela Park, Cleveland, gave a summary of methods of comfort evaluation (for seeing), and George P. Wakefield, product development engineer with the F. W. Wakefield Brass Co., Vermilion, Ohio, discussed the effect of environmental engineering on luminaire design.



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The Electrical Distributors Medal and Purse under the James H. McGraw Award, was conferred upon George Hessler, vice president of Gravbar Electric Co., New York, on Wednesday, June 11, during the annual convention of the National Association of Electrical Distributors in Atlantic

Mr. Hessler received the Award for distinguished achievement in coordinating the essential functions and services of the electrical distribution industry with the needs of government during the current national emergency.

The Medalist was recommended to the Committee of Awards by the following panel of Judges: E. B. Ingraham, Times Appliance Co.: F. R. Co.; Herbert Metz, Graybar Electric Co.; and John F. Myers, Westinghouse Electric Supply Corp.

The citation accompanying the award read as follows:

"George F. Hessler, Vice President of Graybar Electric Company, Inc., during the past eventful decade has devoted his persuasive talents and statesmanship to guiding the broad relations between his industry and government agencies during periods of national peril. His efforts and counsel were directed toward active support of the principles and purposes of essential controls during periods of crisis. His broad knowledge and objective thinking persuaded recognition and understanding of the vital functions of electrical distribution resulting in the more effective use of the distributive industries in the national effort.

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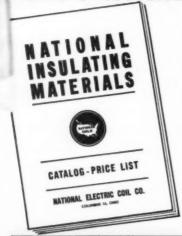


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#### **NISA News**

Chicago Convention became history. The attendance came from all over the country, Florida to New England, New Orleans, Texas and the Pacific Coast. It was particularly nice to see 20 from the Ontario Chapter, for



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R. STAFFORD EDWARDS, (left) president of Edwards Company, Inc., Norwalk, Conn., shows H. F. Jones, of duPont de Nemours, latest Edwards' fire alarm station at luncheon celebrating the 80th anniversary of Edwards Company in Hotel biltmore, New York, on April 28. The observance stressed good relations between big and small business in the United States.

some of whom it was their first convention. Because of Chicago's central location quite a number were from Chicago's trading area.

Some 80 entries were made in the Award Contest this year. The committee consisted of Tom Russell, M. M. Argo and C. W. Hiers.

As soon as practical, these entries and other interesting ones will be prepared for distribution to the membership.

The meeting of the New England Chapter was held at The Hotel Bradford on April 3. President Bert L. Whittemore presided.

Since this was the annual meeting and there was considerable business to be transacted it was decided to first present the speaker of the evening. The president then called on the program chairman Harry Bedig who in turn called on Clinton Bowman of P. R. Mallory & Co. who gave a fine description of the history and use of condensors on motors. At the conclusion of his lecture there were many questions from the members.

The president then called on and heard reports from the following officers: treasurer, secretary, vicepresident, president and chairman of the following committees: membership, by-laws, house, ticket, idea, Foremens' Meeting, and it was moved that these reports be all accepted and placed on file. It was voted that the report of the nominating committee, presented by David Sandman, be accepted.

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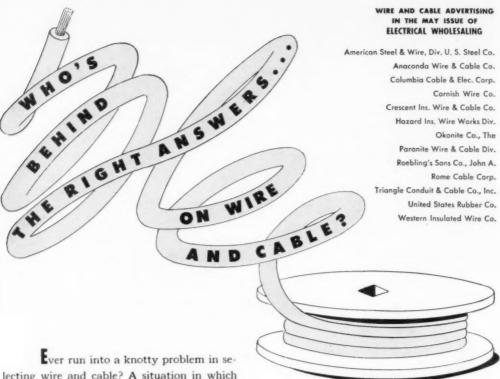
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C. P. WILSON, J. J. Koepsell Co.; J. J. Conrad, Hasche Electric Co. (contractor); and Harold Sternard, chief electrician, Plastics Engineering Co.—all of Sheboygan, Wis., examine conduit fittings and wiring accessories, at Milwaukee's E.M.E. industrial electrical exposition.

the election the retiring president Bert L. Whittemore then presented the gavel to the incoming president Harry G. Bedig and he assumed the president's station. The new president then called on Jack Reddington who presented to the retiring president Bert L. Whittemore a very handsome travelling bag and complimented him on his fine year of outstanding service. Retiring president Bert L. Whittemore responded with a few well chosen remarks and expressed his great enthusiasm for the NISA.

The South Carolina State meeting was held in Columbia, South Carolina on March 7 and 8 with dinner and entertainment on Saturday night at the Columbia Country Club. About 30 men and their wives attended and enjoyed this affair. On Sunday morning the men had a very interesting and informative round table discussion which was beneficial to all present.

The Los Angeles Chapter held their regular meeting April 8 at the Rodger Young Auditorium. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Wm. Hogue. Introductions were in order and each one in attendance was called upon to introduce himself and mention the firm he was with.

Chairman Hogue called on William Hill of the Hill Electric Co. for a short talk on Apprenticeship Training for the motor repair shop. He was followed by the Sec'y-Treas. Earl Sweinhart, who spoke on the following: (1) Membership increase, (2) June meeting and (3) Membership decals.

William Hogue spoke briefly on the questionnaire sent by the Home Office,



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on industry controls, urging all members to fill out and mail promptly. The highlight of the evening was the speaker of the evening A. H. Gudie of the Biddle Trade Bureau who spoke on pricing, coverage, results of their service to the electrical industry and how it fits in with the Office of Price Stabilization. Discussion followed.

The Quaker City Chapter of Philadelphia, Pa. held its meeting on April 9 at Beck's on the Boulevard Restaurant. President Jos. Wagner presided. Roll call showed 36 present. Minutes of preceding meeting was read by secretary and approved as read. Report of financial condition of Chapter read by treasurer and approved as read. Entertainment committee reported that the June social meeting of the chapter would be held at LuLu Temple Country Club on Friday evening, June 27th. This met with unanimous approval of the members present.

Mr. Hearsmann of General Electric Co. presented an interesting talk on current models of industrial motors, with particular reference to explosionproof types.

During the last meeting of the Metropolitan New York Chapter arrangements were made for the first Foremen's Meeting of the Chapter to be held on June 7 in New Jersey. A very interesting program is being prepared and it promises to be an outstanding affair of the year. The following members were assigned to handle different points of the program: Hillrie Griffith, Meyer Friedkin, Carl Christiansen, George R. Lockwood, Herbert Engelmann, Stanley Bojak, Walter Leirer,







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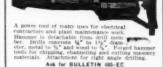
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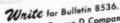
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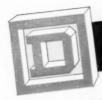
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